

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
INSTITUTIONS COMMISSIONER



OF THE  
CITY OF BOSTON.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1896.











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## INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

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ALFRED B. HEATH, *Commissioner.*

EDWIN W. DWIGHT, *Assistant Commissioner.*

HUBERT POPE, *Secretary.*



INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER, 14 BEACON STREET,  
BOSTON, February 1, 1896.

HON. JOSIAH QUINCY,  
*Mayor of the City of Boston:*

SIR: In accordance with chapter 3, section 22, of the Revised Ordinances, the Institutions Commissioner presents his annual report for the financial year ending January 31, 1896, it being the first report since the revision of the charter of the city of Boston.

The Public Institutions of the city of Boston were, in 1857, placed under the charge of a Board of Directors consisting of twelve members; this number was reduced to nine in 1885. In 1889 this Board was abolished and the institutions placed under the charge of three commissioners.

In 1895, by Acts of the Legislature, Chapter 449, the Department of Public Institutions and the Board of Commissioners was abolished, the Institutions Department created and placed in the charge of an Institutions Commissioner. This act was approved June 1, and went into effect July 1, 1895.

This report, being made from the date of the last annual report, includes five months under the Department of Public Institutions, and seven since the creation of the Institutions Department.

EXPENDITURES FOR DEER ISLAND INSTITUTIONS.

|                      |   |   |   |   |   |   |             |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------|
| Subsistence          | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$50,497 05 |
| Clothing and bedding | . | . | . | . | . | . | 15,586 45   |
| Fuel and light       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 14,549 77   |
| Salaries             | . | . | . | . | . | . | 35,671 32   |

|                                           |                     |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | \$3,026 17          |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 1,302 51            |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 442 53              |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 3,278 35            |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 8,529 28            |
| Printing department supplies . . . . .    | 228 94              |
| Material and tools . . . . .              | 4,456 83            |
| Stone department . . . . .                | 21,101 01           |
| Religious services . . . . .              | 1,474 39            |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 853 17              |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 284 20              |
| Postage and rent of box . . . . .         | 280 00              |
| Entertainment and holidays . . . . .      | 166 25              |
| Dinner for the City Government . . . . .  | 182 00              |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 186 90              |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$162,097 12</u> |

FOR HOUSE OF REFORMATION.<sup>1</sup>

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .                     | \$3,177 08 |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .            | 1,887 35   |
| Fuel and light . . . . .                  | 936 39     |
| Salaries . . . . .                        | 5,154 74   |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | 1,337 94   |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 34 71      |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 139 45     |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 342 39     |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 1,461 34   |
| School supplies . . . . .                 | 699 09     |
| Printing supplies . . . . .               | 806 19     |
| Religious services . . . . .              | 84 96      |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 50 23      |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 66 50      |

<sup>1</sup> Separated from Deer Island Institutions and established on Rainsford Island in May, 1895.

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|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Postage . . . . .                  | \$16 00            |
| Dinner for the City Government . . | 132 00             |
| All other items . . . . .          | 28 11              |
| Total . . . . .                    | <u>\$16,354 47</u> |

## FOR PARENTAL SCHOOL.<sup>1</sup>

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .               | \$1,035 80         |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .      | 1,251 22           |
| Fuel and light . . . . .            | 727 73             |
| Salaries . . . . .                  | 2,614 24           |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .    | 825 55             |
| Medical supplies . . . . .          | 49 86              |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . | 55 86              |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .     | 457 05             |
| Repairs . . . . .                   | 3,502 41           |
| School supplies . . . . .           | 242 15             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .          | 49 43              |
| All other items . . . . .           | 58 89              |
| Total . . . . .                     | <u>\$10,870 19</u> |

## FOR LUNATIC HOSPITAL.<sup>2</sup>

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .               | \$19,551 85 |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .      | 2,283 03    |
| Fuel and light . . . . .            | 8,678 27    |
| Salaries . . . . .                  | 20,895 48   |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .    | 1,129 93    |
| Medical supplies . . . . .          | 816 02      |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . | 244 36      |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .     | 3,138 71    |
| Repairs . . . . .                   | 7,864 11    |
| Water . . . . .                     | 2,496 00    |
| Soap . . . . .                      | 827 02      |
| Telephone rental . . . . .          | 185 68      |

<sup>1</sup> Opened for reception of inmates September, 1895.

<sup>2</sup> Separated into two institutions August 5, 1895.

|                                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |                    |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------------------|
| Transportation and carriage-hire | . | . |   |   |   |   | \$148 14           |
| Postage and rent of box          | . | . | . | . | . | . | 82 36              |
| Entertainment and holidays       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 53 10              |
| Burial                           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 36 00              |
| All other items                  | . | . | . | . | . | . | 28 82              |
| Total                            | . | . | . | . | . | . | <u>\$68,458 88</u> |

FOR INSANE HOSPITAL, AUSTIN FARM.<sup>1</sup>

|                                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |                    |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------------------|
| Subsistence                      | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$8,798 31         |
| Clothing and bedding             | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,679 70           |
| Fuel and light                   | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2,005 36           |
| Salaries                         | . | . | . | . | . | . | 8,700 80           |
| Furniture and utensils           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,541 41           |
| Medical supplies                 | . | . | . | . | . | . | 326 75             |
| Books, printing, and stationery  | . | . | . | . | . | . | 131 11             |
| Agricultural supplies            | . | . | . | . | . | . | 748 64             |
| Repairs                          | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2,662 69           |
| Water                            | . | . | . | . | . | . | 882 00             |
| Soap                             | . | . | . | . | . | . | 525 50             |
| Telephone rental                 | . | . | . | . | . | . | 34 60              |
| Transportation and carriage-hire | . | . | . | . | . | . | 26 71              |
| Postage and rent of box          | . | . | . | . | . | . | 20 90              |
| House rent                       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 75 00              |
| Burial                           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 30 00              |
| All other items                  | . | . | . | . | . | . | 59 88              |
| Total                            | . | . | . | . | . | . | <u>\$28,249 36</u> |

FOR INSANE HOSPITAL, PIERCE FARM.<sup>2</sup>

|                      |   |   |   |   |   |   |            |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|------------|
| Subsistence          | . | . | . | . | . | . | \$6,093 57 |
| Clothing and bedding | . | . | . | . | . | . | 647 50     |
| Fuel and light       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2,982 92   |
| Salaries             | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7,686 37   |

<sup>1</sup> Made a separate institution from Lunatic Hospital, August 5, 1895.<sup>2</sup> Made a separate institution from Lunatic Hospital, August 5, 1895.

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|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .           | \$602 98           |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                 | 235 79             |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . .  | 146 25             |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .            | 2,016 64           |
| Repairs . . . . .                          | 4,372 86           |
| Water . . . . .                            | 178 80             |
| Soap . . . . .                             | 99 80              |
| Postage and rent of box . . . . .          | 33 00              |
| Transportation and carriage-hire . . . . . | 85 25              |
| Entertainment and holidays . . . . .       | 50 06              |
| All other items . . . . .                  | 41 14              |
| Total . . . . .                            | <u>\$25,272 93</u> |

FOR MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

|                                           |                    |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .                     | \$15,799. 16       |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .            | 6,302 39           |
| Fuel and light . . . . .                  | 3,343 97           |
| Salaries . . . . .                        | 13,780 60          |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | 1,858 87           |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 444 79             |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 333 14             |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 1,383 49           |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 5,872 68           |
| Water . . . . .                           | 1,503 00           |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 438 59             |
| School supplies . . . . .                 | 288 64             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 229 29             |
| Entertainment and holidays . . . . .      | 312 83             |
| Board of blind . . . . .                  | 242 82             |
| Postage . . . . .                         | 43 93              |
| Burial . . . . .                          | 38 00              |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 130 59             |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$52,346 78</u> |

## FOR ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL.

|                                           |                    |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .                     | \$25,689 00        |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .            | 3,806 84           |
| Fuel and light . . . . .                  | 10,635 11          |
| Salaries . . . . .                        | 15,410 87          |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | 1,301 87           |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 2,308 78           |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 595 23             |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 2,030 40           |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 10,457 44          |
| Water . . . . .                           | 1,320 59           |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 633 99             |
| Postage . . . . .                         | 179 00             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 183 57             |
| Religious services . . . . .              | 162 24             |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 52 09              |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$74,767 02</u> |

## FOR ALMSHOUSE, CHARLESTOWN.

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .                     | \$5,644 45 |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .            | 645 39     |
| Fuel and light . . . . .                  | 1,192 23   |
| Salaries . . . . .                        | 2,932 00   |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | 182 64     |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 215 45     |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 79 49      |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 652 01     |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 1,429 71   |
| Expressage . . . . .                      | 128 12     |
| Water . . . . .                           | 323 15     |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 305 49     |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 116 30     |

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|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Postage . . . . .         | \$13 00            |
| Burial . . . . .          | 70 00              |
| All other items . . . . . | 25 50              |
| Total . . . . .           | <u>\$13,954 93</u> |

## FOR HOME FOR PAUPERS, RAINSFORD ISLAND.<sup>1</sup>

|                                           |                   |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .                     | \$2,919 64        |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . .            | 190 59            |
| Fuel and light . . . . .                  | 57 05             |
| Salaries . . . . .                        | 1,486 78          |
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | 32 73             |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 153 49            |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 18 09             |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 205 58            |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 156 55            |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 48 93             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 115 00            |
| Religious services . . . . .              | 59 55             |
| Postage . . . . .                         | 9 00              |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 4 50              |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$5,457 48</u> |

## FOR PAUPER EXPENSES.

|                                                              |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Support outside city institutions . . . . .                  | \$170,630 83 |
| Transportation and travel . . . . .                          | 3,797 97     |
| Pay-rolls . . . . .                                          | 11,603 09    |
| Purchase of and keeping horses . . . . .                     | 1,759 69     |
| Purchase of and repairs to carriages and harnesses . . . . . | 1,128 97     |
| Medical attendance . . . . .                                 | 3,351 62     |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . .                    | 698 99       |
| Copying pauper records . . . . .                             | 707 93       |

<sup>1</sup> Discontinued April 1, 1895.

|                                |                     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Postage . . . . .              | \$229 49            |
| Telephone rental . . . . .     | 205 46              |
| Ambulance stretchers . . . . . | 72 00               |
| All other items . . . . .      | 98 36               |
| Total . . . . .                | <u>\$194,284 40</u> |

## FOR STEAMER "J. PUTNAM BRADLEE."

|                            |                    |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Manning . . . . .          | \$8,467 80         |
| Repairs . . . . .          | 2,817 61           |
| Rent of dock . . . . .     | 2,000 00           |
| Waste and oil . . . . .    | 84 63              |
| Water . . . . .            | 14 13              |
| Chandlery . . . . .        | 133 96             |
| Telephone rental . . . . . | 168 00             |
| Furniture . . . . .        | 101 47             |
| All other items . . . . .  | 15 88              |
| Total . . . . .            | <u>\$13,803 48</u> |

## FOR OFFICE EXPENSES.

|                                           |                    |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries . . . . .                        | \$18,024 14        |
| Alterations in office rooms . . . . .     | 6,584 53           |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 579 24             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 324 52             |
| Postage and rent of box . . . . .         | 140 80             |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 102 69             |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$25,755 92</u> |

## FOR HOUSE OF CORRECTION, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK.

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Subsistence . . . . .          | \$36,453 32 |
| Clothing and bedding . . . . . | 7,878 29    |
| Fuel and light . . . . .       | 7,377 15    |
| Salaries . . . . .             | 28,178 81   |

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|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Furniture and utensils . . . . .          | \$2,227 41         |
| Medical supplies . . . . .                | 728 75             |
| Books, printing, and stationery . . . . . | 365 96             |
| Agricultural supplies . . . . .           | 1,282 74           |
| Repairs . . . . .                         | 4,243 12           |
| Materials and tools . . . . .             | 2,201 00           |
| Religious services . . . . .              | 1,161 07           |
| Soap . . . . .                            | 1,020 91           |
| Gratuities . . . . .                      | 660 45             |
| Telephone rental . . . . .                | 232 41             |
| Postage and rent of box . . . . .         | 150 00             |
| Entertainment and holidays . . . . .      | 245 75             |
| Water . . . . .                           | 120 60             |
| All other items . . . . .                 | 184 05             |
| Total . . . . .                           | <u>\$94,711 79</u> |

## RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES.

|                                                  |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Deer Island Institutions . . . . .               | \$162,097 12        |
| House of Reformation . . . . .                   | 16,354 47           |
| Parental School . . . . .                        | 10,870 19           |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .                       | 68,458 88           |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm . . . . .           | 28,249 36           |
| “ “ Pierce Farm . . . . .                        | 25,272 93           |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                   | 52,346 78           |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .                 | 74,767 02           |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                 | 13,954 93           |
| Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island . . . . .     | 5,457 48            |
| Pauper expenses . . . . .                        | 194,284 40          |
| Steamer “J. Putnam Bradlee” . . . . .            | 13,803 48           |
| Office expenses . . . . .                        | 25,755 92           |
| Public Institutions . . . . .                    | <u>\$691,672 96</u> |
| House of Correction, County of Suffolk . . . . . | 94,711 79           |
| Total . . . . .                                  | <u>\$786,384 75</u> |

The sum of \$355.22 has been received for interest on the "Mason Fund."

The income of the institutions for the year ending January 31, 1896 :

|                                                  |                     |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| House of Industry . . . . .                      | \$57,839 72         |
| House of Reformation . . . . .                   | 1,176 33            |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .                       | 6,296 10            |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm . . . . .           | 4,038 94            |
| Insane Hospital, Pierce Farm . . . . .           | 4,311 92            |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                   | 265 88              |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .                 | 2,112 59            |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                 | 471 26              |
| Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island . . . . .     | 125 15              |
| Pauper expenses . . . . .                        | 5,148 14            |
|                                                  | <hr/>               |
| Public Institutions . . . . .                    | \$81,786 03         |
| House of Correction, County of Suffolk . . . . . | 20,586 75           |
|                                                  | <hr/>               |
| Total . . . . .                                  | <u>\$102,372 78</u> |

The sources from which the income has been received are as follows, viz. :

#### HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Stone . . . . .               | \$40,290 56 |
| Labor of inmates . . . . .    | 11,967 22   |
| Board of paupers . . . . .    | 1,161 83    |
| Pigs and pork . . . . .       | 870 54      |
| Brogans . . . . .             | 724 70      |
| Farm produce . . . . .        | 686 90      |
| Empty barrels . . . . .       | 434 22      |
| Grease and bones . . . . .    | 237 59      |
| Carting and teaming . . . . . | 235 58      |
| Printing department . . . . . | 204 57      |

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| Wheelbarrows . . . . .           | \$126 25 |
| Tinware . . . . .                | 116 93   |
| Cloth . . . . .                  | 116 43   |
| Rent of room . . . . .           | 89 00    |
| Coal . . . . .                   | 86 78    |
| Rags . . . . .                   | 79 67    |
| Repairing shoes . . . . .        | 68 15    |
| Paints and oils . . . . .        | 60 88    |
| Junk . . . . .                   | 50 91    |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 231 01   |

|                 |                    |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <u>\$57,839 72</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------|

## HOUSE OF REFORMATION.

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Printing . . . . .               | \$1,149 01 |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 27 32      |

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <u>\$1,176 33</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|

## LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Board of patients . . . . .      | \$6,088 51 |
| Grease and bones . . . . .       | 118 18     |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 89 41      |

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <u>\$6,296 10</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|

## INSANE HOSPITAL, AUSTIN FARM.

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Board of patients . . . . .      | \$3,773 45 |
| Tuberculous cattle . . . . .     | 99 00      |
| Grease and bones . . . . .       | 90 99      |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 75 50      |

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <u>\$4,038 94</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|

## INSANE HOSPITAL, PIERCE FARM.

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Board of patients . . . . . | \$4,249 92 |
| Farm produce . . . . .      | 62 00      |

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <u>\$4,311 92</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|

## MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

|                                  |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Board of inmates . . . . .       | \$153 43        |
| Junk . . . . .                   | 76 17           |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 36 28           |
| Total . . . . .                  | <u>\$265 88</u> |

## ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL.

|                                  |                   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Board of inmates . . . . .       | \$1,713 77        |
| Milk . . . . .                   | 122 92            |
| Grease and bones . . . . .       | 83 68             |
| Farm products . . . . .          | 66 75             |
| Pigs and pork . . . . .          | 62 23             |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 63 24             |
| Total . . . . .                  | <u>\$2,112 59</u> |

## ALMSHOUSE, CHARLESTOWN.

|                                  |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Board of inmates . . . . .       | \$422 58        |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 48 68           |
| Total . . . . .                  | <u>\$471 26</u> |

## HOME FOR PAUPERS, RAINSFORD ISLAND.

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Pork . . . . . | <u>\$125 15</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|

## PAUPER EXPENSES.

|                                                                                                   |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Board of sundry persons in State institutions, paid for by the city of Boston, refunded . . . . . | <u>\$5,148 14</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|

## HOUSE OF CORRECTION, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK.

|                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Labor of inmates . . . . .       | \$19,550 89        |
| Grease and bones . . . . .       | 698 09             |
| Empty barrels . . . . .          | 251 85             |
| Rags . . . . .                   | 57 01              |
| Other items under \$50 . . . . . | 28 91              |
| Total . . . . .                  | <u>\$20,586 75</u> |

Comparison of expenditures of the several institutions for the years ending January 31, 1895 and 1896 :

|                                                 | Expenditures for 12 months |                          | Increase.    | Decrease.     |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                                                 | Ending Jan.<br>31, 1895.   | Ending Jan.<br>31, 1896. |              |               |
| Deer Island Institutions . . . . .              | \$162,332 30               | \$162,097 12             | . . . . .    | \$235 18      |
| House of Reformation                            | { included in }            | { for 8 months }         | \$16,354 47  |               |
|                                                 | { D. Isl. Inst. }          | { 16,354 47 }            |              |               |
| Parental School . . . . .                       | . . . . .                  | { for 9 months }         | 10,870 19    |               |
|                                                 |                            | { 10,870 19 }            |              |               |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .                      | 92,159 50                  | { for 7 months }         |              |               |
|                                                 |                            | { 68,458 88 }            |              |               |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm . . . . .          | . . . . .                  | { for 5 months }         |              |               |
|                                                 |                            | { 28,249 36 }            |              |               |
| Insane Hospital, Pierce Farm . . . . .          | . . . . .                  | { for 5 months }         | 29,821 67    |               |
|                                                 |                            | { 25,272 93 }            |              |               |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                  | 44,776 03                  | 52,346 78                | 7,570 75     |               |
| Alm house and Hospital . . . . .                | { Home for }               |                          | 17,591 36    |               |
|                                                 | { Paupers, L.I. }          | 74,767 02                |              |               |
|                                                 | { 57,175 66 }              |                          |              |               |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                | 13,254 19                  | 13,954 93                | 700 74       |               |
| Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island . . . . .    | 25,884 81                  | { for 3 months }         | . . . . .    | 20,427 33     |
|                                                 |                            | { 5,457 48 }             |              |               |
| Pauper expenses . . . . .                       | 182,422 71                 | 194,284 40               | 11,861 69    |               |
| Steamer expenses . . . . .                      | 22,547 51                  | 13,803 48                | . . . . .    | 8,744 03      |
| Office expenses . . . . .                       | 20,251 67                  | 25,755 92                | 5,504 25     |               |
| Public Institutions . . . . .                   | \$620,804 38               | \$691,672 96             | \$100,275 12 | \$29,406 54 . |
| County of Suffolk House of Correction . . . . . | 95,074 02                  | 94,711 79                |              | 362 23        |
| Totals . . . . .                                | \$715,878 40               | \$786,384 75             | \$100,275 12 | \$29,768 77   |

|                             |                    |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Increase as above . . . . . | \$100,275 12       |
| Decrease as above . . . . . | 29,768 77          |
| Net increase . . . . .      | <u>\$70,506 35</u> |

Comparison of income for the years ending January 31, 1895 and 1896 :

|                                                   | Income for 1 year                         |                              | Increase.  | Decrease.  |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|
|                                                   | Ending Jan.<br>31, 1895.                  | Ending Jan.<br>31, 1896.     |            |            |
| House of Industry . . . .                         | \$49,500 01                               | \$57,839 72                  | \$8,339 71 |            |
| House of Reformation . . . . .                    |                                           | { for 8 months }<br>1,176 33 | 1,176 33   |            |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .                        | 14,285 13                                 | { for 7 months }<br>6,296 10 |            |            |
| Insane Hospital, Austin<br>Farm . . . . .         |                                           | { for 5 months }<br>4,038 94 |            |            |
| Insane Hospital, Pierce<br>Farm . . . . .         |                                           | { for 5 months }<br>4,311 92 | 361 83     |            |
| Marcella street Home . .                          | 878 25                                    | 265 88                       |            | \$612 37   |
| Almshouse and Hospital .                          | { Home for }<br>Paupers, L.I.<br>3,790 75 | 2,112 59                     |            | 1,678 16   |
| Almshouse, Charlestown .                          | 416 87                                    | 471,26                       | 54 39      |            |
| Home for Paupers, Rains-<br>ford Island . . . . . | 647 35                                    | { for 2 months }<br>125 15   |            | 522 20     |
| Pauper expenses . . . .                           | 7,003 64                                  | 5,148 14                     |            | 1,855 50   |
| Steamer expenses . . . .                          | 61 02                                     |                              |            | 61 02      |
| Public Institutions . . . .                       | \$76,583 02                               | \$81,786 03                  | \$9,932 26 | \$4,729 25 |
| County of Suffolk, House<br>of Correction . . . . | 23,701 24                                 | 20,586 75                    |            | 3,114 49   |
| Totals . . . . .                                  | \$100 284 26                              | \$102,372 78                 | \$9,932 26 | \$7,843 74 |

|                             |                   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Increase as above . . . . . | \$9,932 26        |
| Decrease as above . . . . . | 7,843 74          |
| Net Increase . . . . .      | <u>\$2,088 52</u> |

Actual cost of running expenses of the institutions for the year ending January 31, 1896 :

|                                                       | Expended.    | Income.      | Actual cost. |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Deer Island Institutions . . . . .                    | \$162,097 12 | \$57,839 72  | \$104,257 40 |
| House of Reformation . . . . .                        | 16,354 47    | 1,176 33     | 15,178 14    |
| Parental School . . . . .                             | 10,870 19    | . . . . .    | 10,870 19    |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .                            | 68,458 88    | 6,296 10     | 62,162 78    |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm . . . .                  | 28,249 36    | 4,038 94     | 24,210 42    |
| “ “ Pierce Farm . . . .                               | 25,272 93    | 4,311 92     | 20,961 01    |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                        | 52,346 78    | 265 88       | 52,080 90    |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .                      | 74,767 02    | 2,112 59     | 72,654 43    |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                      | 13,954 93    | 471 26       | 13,483 67    |
| Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island,                   | 5,457 48     | 125 15       | 5,332 33     |
| Pauper expenses . . . . .                             | 194,284 40   | 5,148 14     | 189,136 26   |
| Steamer expenses . . . . .                            | 13,803 48    | . . . . .    | 13,803 48    |
| Office expenses . . . . .                             | 25,755 92    | . . . . .    | 25,755 92    |
| Public Institutions . . . . .                         | \$691,672 96 | \$81,786 03  | \$609,886 93 |
| County of Suffolk, House of Correc-<br>tion . . . . . | 94,711 79    | 20,586 75    | 74,125 04    |
| Total . . . . .                                       | \$786,384 75 | \$102,372 78 | \$684,011 97 |

|                                                                        |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total expenditures for the year ending Jan-<br>uary 31, 1895 . . . . . | \$715,878 40       |
| Total expenditures for the year ending Jan-<br>uary 31, 1896 . . . . . | 786,384 75         |
| Increase for the year ending January 31,<br>1896 . . . . .             | <u>\$70,506 35</u> |

|                                             |              |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Actual cost for the year ending January 31, |              |
| 1895 . . . . .                              | \$615,594 14 |
| Actual cost for the year ending January 31, |              |
| 1896 . . . . .                              | 684,011 97   |
|                                             | <hr/>        |
| Increase for the year ending January 31,    |              |
| 1896 . . . . .                              | \$68,417 83  |
|                                             | <hr/>        |

Number of inmates remaining in the several institutions on January 31, 1895 and 1896 :

|                                         | 1895.     | 1896.     | Increase. | Decrease. |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| House of Industry,                      | 1,470     | 1,519     | 49        |           |
| House of Reformation,                   | 66        | . . . . . | . . . . . | 66        |
| Truant School,                          | 17        | . . . . . | . . . . . | 17        |
| Paupers,                                | 8         | 10        | 2         |           |
| House of Reformation . . . . .          | . . . . . | 108       | 108       |           |
| Parental School . . . . .               | . . . . . | 73        | 73        |           |
| Lunatic Hospital . . . . .              | 464       | . . . . . | }         |           |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm . . . . .  | . . . . . | 363       |           |           |
| “ “ Pierce Farm . . . . .               | . . . . . | 146       |           | 45        |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .          | 331       | 374       | 43        |           |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .        | 688       | 815       | 127       |           |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .        | 161       | 160       | . . . . . | 1         |
| Home for paupers, Rainsford Island . .  | 272       | . . . . . | . . . . . | 272       |
| Public Institutions . . . . .           | 3,477     | 3,568     | 447       | 356       |
| County of Suffolk, House of Correction, | 663       | 640       | . . . . . | 23        |
| Totals . . . . .                        | 4,140     | 4,208     | 447       | 379       |

<sup>1</sup> Does not include children who are boarded out.

Average number of inmates during the year ending January 31, 1896 :

|                                                    |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Deer Island Institutions . . . . .                 | 1,542            |
| House of Reformation (for 36 weeks) . . . . .      | 83               |
| Parental School (for 19 weeks) . . . . .           | 65               |
| Lunatic Hospital (for 7 months)                    | } . 498          |
| Insane Hospital, Austin Farm (for 5 months)        |                  |
| “ “ Pierce Farm “                                  |                  |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                     | <sup>1</sup> 318 |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .                   | 693              |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                   | 151              |
| Home for paupers, Rainsford Island (for 8 weeks) . | 56               |
| Public Institutions . . . . .                      | 3,406            |
| County of Suffolk, House of Correction . . . . .   | 622              |
| Total . . . . .                                    | <u>4,028</u>     |

The average expenditure for and actual cost of each inmate of the institutions for the year ending January 31, 1896 :

| INSTITUTIONS.                                                                                                                              | Expenditures. |           | Actual Cost. |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
|                                                                                                                                            | Per year.     | Per week. | Per year.    | Per week. |
| Deer Island Institutions . . . . .                                                                                                         | \$105 12      | \$2 02    | \$67 61      | \$1 30    |
| Lunatic Hospital for 7 months, }<br>Insane Hospital, Austin Farm for 5 }<br>months, }<br>Insane Hospital, Pierce Farm for 5 }<br>months, } | 244 94        | 4 71      | 215 53       | 4 14      |
| Marcella-street Home . . . . .                                                                                                             | 164 61        | 3 17      | 163 78       | 3 15      |
| Almshouse and Hospital . . . . .                                                                                                           | 107 89        | 2 07      | 104 84       | 2 02      |
| Almshouse, Charlestown . . . . .                                                                                                           | 92 42         | 1 78      | 89 30        | 1 72      |
| County of Suffolk, House of Correction.                                                                                                    | 152 27        | 2 93      | 119 17       | 2 29      |

<sup>1</sup> Does not include children boarded out.

In the above table no per capita cost is given on the House of Reformation, the Parental School, and the Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island. These institutions were in full operation but a portion of the year and any figures would be misleading and of no value.

Number of persons supported by the city of

|                                                 |              |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Boston in State Institutions . . . . .          | 883          |
| Expended for the support of the above . . . . . | \$156,119 29 |

#### HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

##### *Deer Island.*

This institution is on the whole in a very satisfactory condition. The great overcrowding which still exists will be relieved in July, when the new cell house, containing five hundred new cells, with the adjuncts necessary to care for that number of male prisoners, will be completed.

Since the going into effect of chapter 449, section 16, Acts of 1895, which provides that "no person shall be released without the approval of a justice of the court which imposed the sentence," the daily average has considerably increased and the overcrowding has been even more marked than in previous years.

The new cell building will allow of a separation of "first-term" male prisoners from the old offenders. "Loafers' Hall" will be discontinued when the new building is occupied.

All dark solitary cells have been abolished, and new "light solitaires" built in a group by themselves. These new cells are large, well lighted, and ventilated, and so planned and located that noise in them will disturb no one except those similarly confined.

Since July 1 women prisoners have been moved from the main buildings to those formerly occupied by the truant and reform schools, where "first offenders" are separated from

the others. One of the most urgent needs of this institution is a suitable "women's prison," distinct and separated by some distance from the main institution, where sufficient room and suitable accommodations for the practical classification and industries may be obtained.

The engine rooms and shops are old, of insufficient size, and poorly arranged for the work which should be carried on in them. Suitable ones should be provided in the near future.

### HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

#### *South Boston.*

In so far as is possible in the present building and on the present site, the institution is in excellent condition.

Not only is there considerable overcrowding, but the buildings are old and inconvenient, cells small, poorly ventilated, and workshops inadequate. The entire plant is out of date and insufficient.

It is of the greatest importance that a proper location and buildings should be furnished at as early a date as is possible. Plans have been prepared which, in the opinion of the Commissioner, will, if accepted, give the city a most satisfactory institution, and one which will compare favorably with any institution for similar purposes.

This institution should, in my opinion, be placed on one of the Harbor Islands, where, for various reasons, its work can be most satisfactorily and economically carried on.

Since July 1 all dark cells have been abolished, and the "old hospital cells" changed into "light solitaires," for which by their size and location they were well adapted.

The east wing of the old Lunatic Hospital has been put in thorough repair, enclosed in a separate yard, and is now used as a hospital, for which it is well fitted. The improvement in the condition of sick prisoners, transferred from the old hospital, would alone justify the change.

The work, and especially attempts at classification, both in this institution and in the House of Industry at Deer Island, is much hampered by the commitment to each of persons who are, for various reasons, unsuitable for the institution to which they are sent. Especially is this true of "drunks" and "fines" to the House of Correction, and of cases of more severity sent to the House of Industry who should go to the House of Correction.

The matter of commitments to these institutions should either be controlled, or the right to transfer inmates from one institution to the other placed in the hands of the commissioner by legislative action.

#### HOUSE OF REFORMATION.

##### *Rainsford Island.*

The improvement in the appearance, work, and spirit of the boys since the transfer from Deer Island, in May last, is highly gratifying.

The old buildings, formerly occupied by paupers, are now used by the boys, and are in many ways entirely unfitted for this purpose. These buildings, could, however, be utilized to good advantage as workshops, which are much needed, and will be still more, as the development of trade schools goes on.

Proper dormitory, hospital, heating, power, lighting, and kitchen facilities should be provided before another winter, if possible.

Since July 1st the printing department has been enlarged, the Sloyd system introduced, a shoe-shop and band organized. The boys manifest a deep interest in these branches, and the good effect of such instruction is apparent. Each department will be considerably enlarged during the coming year, and others organized; but it will be necessary to furnish greater and better accommodations to allow of their proper development.

The credit system has been introduced, and each boy is now expected to settle by his own exertions the length of his stay in the institution. It is not intended in the future to interfere with the good results of this system by exercising the power of release, granted to the commissioner under chapter 449, section 16, Acts of 1895.

The diet furnished inmates, of this institution especially, has been materially improved. While this may increase the cost of maintenance, the excellent effect upon the boys more than compensates for it.

Corporal punishment has practically been abolished, and it is being demonstrated that mental suasion has at least as good an effect as the older method.

#### PARENTAL SCHOOL.

##### *West Roxbury.*

The Parental School is located on Spring street, West Roxbury, and borders upon the Charles river, which divides Boston from Dedham at this point. It comprises in all about twenty-eight acres. Besides the original buildings on the land when purchased, — namely, a wooden house, two barns, and various small out-buildings, — two new buildings have been erected at a cost of \$95,000. About \$125,000 has been expended in all upon the plant. An appropriation of \$50,000 was asked for, and granted, to build two dormitory buildings and a hospital. These buildings are in process of construction and will be occupied at the earliest possible moment.

There are to be two dormitory buildings, each to accommodate forty boys in separate rooms. The hospital will furnish beds for about eighteen or twenty boys in small wards and separate rooms. The contagious department is entirely isolated from that portion which is to be used for other cases. The present number of beds at the institution is fifty, and these have been entirely inadequate for the number sentenced.

The greatly overcrowded condition has seriously hampered the work of the school, which is, however, considering the circumstances, in a very satisfactory condition.

MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

*Roxbury.*

While the present buildings and location of this institution are convenient, and perhaps sufficient for present purposes, they offer little if any possibility for its further development, either in numbers or along the lines of classification and the development of trade schools.

In September a small room, the only one available, was taken for a basket shop, and as many of the boys as it would accommodate were started in that work. In many ways this has been a distinct help, especially among the feeble-minded who up to that time had had little special treatment.

There are many ways in which these children might be taught the use of their hands and minds at little expense to the city and with great good to themselves. As it is, however, all the space is occupied and in many instances crowded, and it is impossible to carry out this plan to any extent on account of the lack of room.

The presence of the city swill shops and the city stables on the land immediately adjoining that occupied by this institution — these buildings being placed at a distance of only a few yards from the institution buildings, — is a distinct nuisance. While there may be little if any danger, under ordinary circumstances, to the children's health, the odor at nearly all times is highly objectionable and especially so in warm weather.

Since July 1st the dormitories, school-rooms, and officers' quarters have been quite thoroughly renovated and improved much in appearance and comfort. The old urinals and water-closets have been abolished and an entirely new system placed in a different part of the basement. The institution as a whole is in a satisfactory condition.

## LONG ISLAND ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL.

*Long Island.*

During the past six months a chapel and superintendent's house have been erected and occupied. The reservoir has been finished. The old sanitary and toilet-rooms have been abolished and a proper modern system is being introduced.

The hospital service has been materially improved by the appointment of a visiting staff of medical men whose standing in their profession is of the highest. All are connected with other large hospitals, and the results of their treatment and advice are already apparent in the improvement in the service and morale of the institution. Each of these gentlemen make regular weekly visits and such others as may be necessary.

Another step in advance has been the founding of a training school for "nurse attendants," the first of its kind in the country, and, so far as is known, in the world. The school is a popular one and a considerable waiting list already exists. There is a demand for this class of attendants and there is no question but that employment will be easily found for its graduates. The number of nurses in the hospital has been doubled, there now being about thirty.

One of the great needs of the city is a proper hospital for venereal diseases. No existing institution of good standing, and with proper facilities, takes these cases as such. Their number is large and increasing, and not only on their own account, but for the interest of the community at large, to which they are an ever-present menace, it is of the greatest importance that suitable provision should be made for their care. I would suggest that a suitable plant for the purpose be created on Long Island, to be separated to as great an extent as possible from a pauper institution, where the poor, as well as paying patients, could be given the bene-

fit of isolation and expert medical care. Such an institution could be created and maintained on Long Island at a moderate expense.

In the immediate future various methods of employment for the large number of inmates who are unable to do heavy manual labor will be introduced. Delay up to this time has been due to the lack of any suitable room for the purpose.

The institution as a whole is in a most excellent condition.

#### CHARLESTOWN ALMSHOUSE.

For a number of years no extensive repairs have been made in this institution, as several times it has been proposed to close it. It is necessary, in order that proper classification of the city paupers may be carried out, that this or a similar institution should exist for a certain class, especially deserving couples who, when separated from the large mass of paupers, can be given more latitude and comfort. The old Charlestown Almshouse is well suited to this purpose and should be maintained.

The buildings themselves are in good condition, but should be completely renovated and suitable laundry, toilet, and kitchen facilities furnished. The rooms in the upper story need more light and air, which can be readily furnished by an additional window in each room. A new wing with small rooms for the accommodation of about forty couples, where husband and wife, in approved cases, might occupy the same room, would add much to the institution and to the comfort and happiness of many deserving inmates.

A large sun room has been erected during the past few months, largely by institution labor, on the southern end of the building, and adds greatly to the comfort of the inmates. It is proposed to build a similar room on the other end for use by the women. This work will begin as soon as the weather will allow.

The institution as a whole is in an excellent condition.

## CITY INSANE HOSPITAL.

*Austin and Pierce Farms.*

In October there was created an Advisory and Consulting Board to the City Insane Hospital, at Austin and Pierce Farms, and the following gentlemen were appointed to serve upon it :

Dr. Clarence J. Blake, chairman, Dr. Herbert L. Burrill, Dr. Vincent Y. Bowditch, Dr. Henry R. Stedman, and Dr. Morton Prince.

Two of the Board are well-known alienists, and all are of high standing, thoroughly familiar with institution work, and especially interested in the subject of institutional development. Much time and attention have been given by them to the present condition and needs of these institutions, and the results of their consideration are embodied in the following suggestions for their improvement.

Soon after assuming charge of these institutions it became evident that their management might be more satisfactory. The institutions were separated by a considerable distance and it appeared impossible for the superintendent living at Pierce Farm to give the time and attention to the other institution which was advisable from one responsible for both.

On September 5 the two institutions were separated, and Dr. Lane, who had up to that time been Assistant Superintendent, was promoted to the superintendency and placed in charge of Austin Farm. This change has proved itself a good one and resulted in many improvements in methods and details.

*Austin Farm.*

The institution is in parts very much overcrowded and the necessity for more separate rooms constantly being demonstrated. "A" building is totally unfit for use for insane patients, poorly heated and ventilated, very crowded, and in general bad condition. It should be condemned as soon

as it is possible to secure proper buildings for the care of the one hundred and seventy women who are now crowded into it. The demand for this change is imperative.

The superintendent's house and business offices are totally inadequate for their purpose, and suitable accommodations should be provided as soon as possible.

"B" building is used for dormitory patients and is now in good condition, the ventilation, which was defective, being much improved by the opening of transoms and the removal of "stops" in the windows, allowing the sash to be raised to its full extent in warm weather. The summer temperature of these rooms has thus been reduced five or more degrees.

The barns and farm buildings should be removed from their present location near Canterbury street to the rear, where they would be less prominent, more convenient, and where any odor will not be so noticeable.

The putting of attendants in uniforms has improved their appearance and the morale of the institution.

Employment for the inmates is being gradually introduced and in many cases a good effect is apparent. Unfortunately there is no suitable room or building which at present can be utilized for shop work.

#### *Pierce Farm.*

The commissioner regrets that it is necessary to report the resignation, on November 1, of Dr. T. W. Fisher who for many years has served the city faithfully and with distinction as the superintendent of its Lunatic Hospital. Dr. Bolton, formerly first assistant physician, was made acting superintendent and is now in charge of the institution.

In their report looking towards the improvement of this institution the Advisory and Consulting Board say :

"As a help towards securing the best results in this direction it seems to this Board necessary, after careful inspection

of the land and buildings at the Austin and Pierce Farms, that the high land adjoining Pierce Farm, known as the Fottler, Holbrook, and Jones estates, comprising in all about sixty-five acres, should be purchased by the city; and we accordingly recommend acquiring the same at an early date."

I would strongly recommend that this land be acquired by the city as it is in my mind essential for the proper protection and development of the institution.

A suitable administration building and house for the superintendent is greatly needed and should be furnished at once, as should be shops and a chapel, and in the near future more dormitory buildings will be needed.

The institutions are at present lighted with gasoline, which is in many ways insufficient. An attempt has been made to furnish gas, but without success on account of the expense. It is now proposed to light with electricity, and it is hoped that in a short time suitable and satisfactory light will be furnished.

There seems to be no doubt that in the future, and as rapidly as is expedient, Boston should care for all her own insane and in her own institutions. This can probably be done as well as it is at present for less money and much better for a very small increase. There are at present thirteen hundred and ninety-two insane patients for whom the city of Boston is responsible, and in ten years there will probably be eighteen hundred. When the additional land, the acquirement of which has been recommended, is secured by the city, there will be enough for an institution to accommodate this number, and the majority of available building sites will then be, as they are now, in connection with Pierce Farm, and it is there that most of the patients must be accommodated.

When new buildings are erected they should be so located and planned as to be available for use in the completed plant.

One of the greatest needs of these two institutions is proper classification for their inmates, and, while this is now being done to a certain extent, it is absolutely impossible to properly accomplish this object until suitable and sufficient buildings have been erected. It is therefore strongly urged by the commissioner that such buildings should be erected at as early a date as is possible.

#### INFANTS' HOSPITAL.

##### *Rainsford Island.*

During the past three years Dr. H. C. Ernst, of Jamaica Plain, has been carrying on, with the help of private charity, a summer hospital for infants. The old hospital building at Rainsford Island has been used for this purpose, and a great deal of good has been accomplished.

At the time when Dr. Ernst brought up this question there was no place in or about Boston where proper care could be given the large number of children and infants under two years old, suffering from the ordinary summer complaints. Dr. Ernst has successfully demonstrated the importance and necessity of such an institution, and it is entirely due to his efforts that it has been carried on for these years so satisfactorily and successfully.

The necessity for such an institution having been demonstrated, it is proposed that the city, as a part of its Institutions Department, shall carry on this work. The buildings and the grounds will be put in thorough and satisfactory condition during the winter and spring, and it is expected that the institution will be opened early in the summer and continued until such time in the fall as the demand will necessitate.

Dr. T. M. Roche has been appointed Medical Director of the institution, and will have entire charge of the medical care and management of the patients who are admitted.

The various institutions as a whole are in excellent condition, such as to reflect great credit on their several superintendents, and it is evident that they have in the past, as during the last seven months, done the best that they could to serve the institutions in their charge, as well as the department and the city to whom they are responsible.

An ambulance has been added to the equipment of the pauper department and has proved to be a valuable addition. It is kept within easy call of the central office.

Your attention is respectfully called to the reports of the several superintendents appended. The recommendations made in the reports are on the whole approved by me, and should be carried out as far as practicable. The institutions are in better condition than ever before, and the efforts of the commissioner have been constantly in the line of improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. HEATH,  
*Commissioner.*

# DEER ISLAND INSTITUTIONS.

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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DR. A. B. HEATH, *Institutions Commissioner*:

DEAR SIR: I herewith hand you my annual report of the institutions on Deer Island, which comprise the House of Industry, Men and Women's Department, and Hospital.

During the past year the reformation boys were removed to Rainsford Island and the truant boys to the Parental School at West Roxbury. It has given us the much-needed room for classification; also separated the men from the women.

Two hundred and fifty women were removed to the boys' quarters, which are all the buildings will accommodate, and the remainder are quartered in the laundry building, which gives us three separate institutions besides the hospital.

First comers in the Women's Department are placed in the wooden building formerly occupied by the reformation boys. Those who have been here before, or whom we know have been inmates of other institutions, are in the brick building formerly occupied by truant boys. The laundry building accommodates about eighty-five women, which includes those at work at the laundry, hospital, or Superintendent's house.

We have built a strong-room that contains twenty-six light, well-ventilated cells for men. The unruly ones are placed there by themselves, so that if noisy, they will not disturb well-behaved inmates.

The foundation is about complete for our new building. It will be about 325 feet long by 50 feet wide, and will contain 500 cells. It will be occupied, when finished, by men who

come here for the first time, and will make our classification very good and give plenty of shop room to keep them employed.

There should be a new building for women, as those that they now occupy are not well adapted for their use. They are not roomy enough, and the women should be under one roof, except those in the hospital. There should be a chapel in their department. It is quite a distance to bring the women twice every Sunday, especially if the weather is stormy. Now the men and women congregate together at the same service, while the chapel is only large enough for the men, and this does not promote good order, as it takes their attention and mind from what the chaplains are saying while looking for some acquaintance. What improvements have been made are beneficial, and I am in hopes that in a very short time we will be second to none in our system of classification and in caring for those under our charge.

The plank covering of the wharf, also some of the capping and piling in front of the coal sheds, are becoming decayed and badly chafed by vessels and is unsafe for teams to pass over or vessels to tie up at in the spring.

We have introduced one hundred and fifty new sewing-machines, and have enlarged our cane-shop, which will increase our income and keep two hundred extra hands profitably employed.

I would recommend that we start a broom-shop and make our own brooms.

An average of one hundred and twenty-five male prisoners has been employed in the stone-yard under officer Sanborn, with Messrs. Doyle, Fitzpatrick, and McGinley as instructors. They have made a good showing as will be seen by the following table of what has been cut and sold to the Street and Sewer Departments and the amount on hand, viz., 50,227 feet edgestone, 251 curb corners, 110 catch-basins, 287 gutter mouths; and of finished work on hand

we have 13,181 feet edgestone, 33 catch-basins, 407 curb corners; and of rough stock on hand we have 1,947 feet edgestone, and 3 catch-basins.

All the departments have been working harmoniously, and our income of over \$55,000 speaks for itself. Plenty of work, with strict but humane officers who are interested in their work, keeps things running smoothly.

Our farm stock is in good condition and all of the crops were abundant. The following were the principal products :

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Hay . . . . .               | 119 tons.    |
| Oat fodder . . . . .        | 60 “         |
| Corn and ensilage . . . . . | 308 “        |
| Mangel beets . . . . .      | 217 “        |
| Squash . . . . .            | 36 “         |
| Pumpkins . . . . .          | 7 “          |
| Ice . . . . .               | 1,000 “      |
| Turnips . . . . .           | 82 “         |
| Carrots . . . . .           | 116 “        |
| Par snips . . . . .         | 21 “         |
| Table beets . . . . .       | 436 bushels. |
| Onions . . . . .            | 4,856 “      |
| Potatoes . . . . .          | 331 “        |
| Tomatoes . . . . .          | 1,516 “      |
| Peas . . . . .              | 84 “         |
| Bush beans . . . . .        | 142 “        |
| Pole beans . . . . .        | 49 “         |
| Cucumbers . . . . .         | 268 “        |
| Melons . . . . .            | 30 “         |
| Beet greens . . . . .       | 178 “        |
| Spinach greens . . . . .    | 291 “        |
| Cabbage greens . . . . .    | 362 “        |
| Dandelion greens . . . . .  | 330 “        |
| Peppers . . . . .           | 5 “          |
| Pears . . . . .             | 28 “         |

|                |   |   |   |   |   |   |                 |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| Grapes         | . | . | . | . | . | . | 5 bushels.      |
| Apples         | . | . | . | . | . | . | 301 “           |
| Currants       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 134 boxes.      |
| Raspberries    | . | . | . | . | . | . | 133 “           |
| Strawberries   | . | . | . | . | . | . | 201 “           |
| Cabbage        | . | . | . | . | . | . | 33,346 heads.   |
| Lettuce        | . | . | . | . | . | . | 976 “           |
| Rhubarb        | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,300 lbs.      |
| Celery         | . | . | . | . | . | . | 5,112 bunches.  |
| Radishes       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,200 “         |
| Asparagus      | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,426 “         |
| Milk           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 258,943 pounds. |
| Eggs           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 800 dozen.      |
| Ducks          | . | . | . | . | . | . | 16½ “           |
| Chickens       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 26¼ “           |
| Bedding plants | . | . | . | . | . | . | 972 “           |
| Manure         | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,268 cords.    |
| Wood           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 316 “           |

The piggery has produced the following :

|                                         |   |   |   |   |          |                         |
|-----------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|-------------------------|
| Pork slaughtered, 67,517 lbs., at 7cts. | . |   |   |   |          | \$4,726 19              |
| Sale of live pigs                       | . | . | . | . | .        | 850 00                  |
| Sale of soap-grease                     | . | . | . | . | .        | 26 11                   |
| 350 cords of manure                     | . | . | . | . | .        | 875 00                  |
| 765 hhds. soft soap, at \$5             | . | . | . | . | .        | 3,825 00                |
|                                         |   |   |   |   |          | <hr/> \$10,302 30       |
| Cost of soap stock                      | . | . | . |   | \$105 21 |                         |
| Cost of grain                           | . | . | . | . | 40 00    |                         |
|                                         |   |   |   |   | <hr/>    | 145 21                  |
| Net profit to the institution           | . | . | . |   |          | <hr/> \$10,157 09 <hr/> |

Eight hundred tons of good ice have been cut and housed, sufficient to carry us through the present year. Gas of a good quality, at an average of fifty-seven cents per 1,000

cubic feet, has been made on the premises. This does not include labor or repairs, but simply the cost of coal for making, and lime for purifying the gas.

Our institutions are growing beyond the capacity of our three retorts, and they cannot supply gas enough to allow each inmate light to read by after retiring to his cell, as the law requires. We are always short of gas through the months of December and January, and an electric plant would give us the required light inside and outside, and would be more economical after the plant was in.

My officers are faithful and efficient workers, and there have been but few changes the past year. Now that the salaries are increased there will be less, as this institution has been a recruiting station to make officers for other institutions whose salary lists are larger. They will now be content to stay with us.

Assistant Superintendent Perkins, who had been with me for over three years, resigned last June to take charge of the reformation boys at Rainsford Island. He was a good officer, and is well qualified for the position he now holds. He succeeded Gen. M. T. Donahoe, whose sudden death occurred May 26, 1895, after a short service with the boys. The general's long service as secretary for the commissioners endeared him to all who were associated with public institutions, and his genial smile and brotherly advice, given at all times to comrade and friend, will ever be cherished by us.

The vacancy caused by resignation of Mr. Perkins was filled by George W. Shepardson, who came well recommended from Superintendent Scott, of the Concord Reformatory. Good institution officers, who take pride in their work rather than in compensation received or positions they hold, are not plenty. He is well liked by officers and inmates.

Rev. William B. Toulmin continues as chaplain of the

Island Institutions, and holds service every Sunday afternoon. He also visits Long and Rainsford Islands in the forenoon. The Rev. Father Hamilton ably fills the place of Father McAvoy, who was obliged to retire on account of poor health. Mass is held every Sunday morning. Both chaplain and priest who officiate at this Island are faithful in their duties, looking after the spiritual welfare of all who desire their counsel and advice upon such matters.

Dr. Thomas F. Roche, the Resident Physician, has proved himself competent to handle the class of patients we have here with skill and courtesy, and is ably assisted by Dr. David Brough, Port Physician.

During the year fines for 1,221 prisoners have been paid to the County of Suffolk Treasurer, amounting to \$9,581.04. This amount does not go to the credit of the House of Industry, and consequently does not increase our income.

The cost to the institution to make respectable and comfortable many of the inmates on their discharge, who arrive here destitute, amounts to a considerable sum each year. During the present year 6,877 garments have been given away. There have been made for their use and wear 3,168 pairs brogans, 756 pairs women's shoes, 888 pairs women's slippers, 1,691 coats, 2,658 pairs pants, 1,918 vests,  $197\frac{2}{12}$  dozen pairs overalls, 159 dozen cotton shirts,  $289\frac{1}{12}$  dozen woolen shirts, 18 dozen waiters' white coats,  $8\frac{6}{12}$  dozen waiters' white aprons,  $1\frac{6}{12}$  dozen overcoats, 580 chemises, 435 skirts, 236 pairs drawers, 724 dresses, 289 tiers, 560 aprons, 296 handkerchiefs, 65 nightdresses, 924 napkins, 64 tablecloths, 365 roller towels, 28 curtains, 1,591 sheets, 1,916 pillow-slips, 401 bed-ticks, 230 pillow-ticks, 417 pairs mens' hand-knit woolen socks, 65 bags, 120 machine covers.

We have also cut, made, and trimmed for Long Island 195 coats, 234 pairs pants, 99 vests, 60 pairs drawers, 24 woolen shirts; for Rainsford Island 246 pairs pants, 39 coats, 35 vests, 8 ulsters; for Charlestown Almshouse, 39 suits clothing,  $2\frac{6}{12}$  dozen woolen shirts,  $2\frac{8}{12}$  dozen pairs drawers.

## ALMSHOUSE DEPARTMENT.

|                              | Men.     | Women.   | Boys.    | Girls.   | Total.    |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Remaining January 31, 1895 . | 4        | 3        | 1        | 0        | 8         |
| Admitted . . . . .           | 143      | 64       | 0        | 0        | 207       |
|                              | —        | —        | —        | —        | —         |
|                              | 147      | 67       | 1        | 0        | 215       |
| Discharged . . . . .         | 139      | 65       | 1        | 0        | 205       |
|                              | —        | —        | —        | —        | —         |
| Remaining January 31, 1896 . | 8        | 2        | 0        | 0        | 10        |
|                              | <u>8</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>10</u> |

During the year there were admitted to this department 19 males and 2 females from the House of Industry who were too sick to leave on expiration of sentence.

There have been eight deaths during the year.

## HOUSE OF INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT.

|                                      | Men.         | Women.     | Total.       |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Remaining January 31, 1895 . . . . . | 1,115        | 315        | 1,470        |
| Committed . . . . .                  | 7,152        | 1,192      | 8,344        |
|                                      | —            | —          | —            |
|                                      | 8,307        | 1,507      | 9,814        |
| Discharged . . . . .                 | 7,093        | 1,202      | 8,295        |
|                                      | —            | —          | —            |
| Remaining January 31, 1896 . . . . . | <u>1,214</u> | <u>305</u> | <u>1,519</u> |

*Children of sentenced mothers:*

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Remaining January 31, 1895 . . . . . | 11        |
| Admitted . . . . .                   | 38        |
|                                      | —         |
|                                      | 49        |
| Discharged . . . . .                 | 37        |
|                                      | —         |
| Remaining January 31, 1896 . . . . . | <u>12</u> |

Of the above 4 died during the year.

*Causes for discharge:*

|                                       |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Expired sentence . . . . .            | 5,518 |
| Pardoned . . . . .                    | 1,486 |
| Fines paid . . . . .                  | 1,221 |
| Died . . . . .                        | 50    |
| Sent here by error of court . . . . . | 9     |
| Escaped . . . . .                     | 5     |
| Bailed . . . . .                      | 3     |
| Pardoned by Governor . . . . .        | 2     |
| By order of court . . . . .           | 1     |
|                                       | <hr/> |
| Total . . . . .                       | 8,295 |
|                                       | <hr/> |

*Offences for which committed:*

|                                                            |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Drunkenness . . . . .                                      | 6,562 |
| Assault and battery . . . . .                              | 452   |
| Larceny . . . . .                                          | 424   |
| Fornication . . . . .                                      | 184   |
| Vagrant . . . . .                                          | 182   |
| Idle and disorderly . . . . .                              | 126   |
| Common night-walker . . . . .                              | 44    |
| Breaking glass . . . . .                                   | 36    |
| Non-support . . . . .                                      | 31    |
| Unlawfully keeping intoxicating liquors for sale . . . . . | 31    |
| Disturbing the peace . . . . .                             | 28    |
| Walking on railroad track . . . . .                        | 20    |
| Malicious injury to personal property . . . . .            | 18    |
| Obstructing the sidewalk . . . . .                         | 14    |
| Assault . . . . .                                          | 14    |
| Embezzlement . . . . .                                     | 13    |
| Unlawful appropriation . . . . .                           | 13    |
| Noisy and disorderly house . . . . .                       | 13    |
| Trespass . . . . .                                         | 11    |
| Profanity . . . . .                                        | 9     |

|                                                          |   |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Common drunkard . . . . .                                | 9 |
| Larceny from person . . . . .                            | 7 |
| Keeping a common liquor nuisance . . . . .               | 7 |
| Throwing missiles in the street . . . . .                | 6 |
| Indecent exposure . . . . .                              | 5 |
| Vagabond . . . . .                                       | 5 |
| Playing cards on the Lord's day . . . . .                | 5 |
| Obscenity . . . . .                                      | 5 |
| Peddling without a license . . . . .                     | 4 |
| Violating city ordinance . . . . .                       | 4 |
| Receiving stolen goods . . . . .                         | 4 |
| Being present where gaming implements were found,        | 4 |
| Obtaining money by false pretences . . . . .             | 4 |
| Assault and battery with dangerous weapon . . . . .      | 4 |
| Cruelty to animals . . . . .                             | 3 |
| Disturbing a religious meeting . . . . .                 | 3 |
| Obtaining goods by false pretences . . . . .             | 3 |
| Rescuing a prisoner . . . . .                            | 3 |
| Attempt at larceny . . . . .                             | 3 |
| Lying on grass in a public ground . . . . .              | 2 |
| Evading payment of car-fare . . . . .                    | 2 |
| Common beggar . . . . .                                  | 2 |
| Building a bonfire in street . . . . .                   | 2 |
| Threats . . . . .                                        | 1 |
| Stubborn child . . . . .                                 | 1 |
| Common railer and brawler . . . . .                      | 1 |
| Loitering in railroad station . . . . .                  | 1 |
| False pretences . . . . .                                | 1 |
| Adultery . . . . .                                       | 1 |
| Breaking and entering . . . . .                          | 1 |
| Fraudulently conveying property . . . . .                | 1 |
| Breaking a street lamp . . . . .                         | 1 |
| Selling cigarettes to a minor . . . . .                  | 1 |
| Fraudulently procuring entertainment at an inn . . . . . | 1 |
| Bathing in Boston harbor . . . . .                       | 1 |

|                                                        |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Tramp . . . . .                                        | 1            |
| Discharging firearms in street . . . . .               | 1            |
| Carrying a dangerous weapon . . . . .                  | 1            |
| Having policy slips in possession with intent to sell, | 1            |
| Attempt to rescue prisoner . . . . .                   | 1            |
| Indecent assault . . . . .                             | 1            |
| Disturbing a school . . . . .                          | 1            |
| Allowing hand-cart to remain in street . . . . .       | 1            |
| Obstructing passage of street-car . . . . .            | 1            |
| Keeping an unlicensed dog . . . . .                    | 1            |
| Making a false alarm of fire . . . . .                 | 1            |
| Total . . . . .                                        | <u>8,344</u> |

Of the above there were returned from probation 47 men and 9 women.

*Sentences of those committed :*

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Non-payment of fines . . . . .    | 3,964 |
| 5 days . . . . .                  | 10    |
| 10 " . . . . .                    | 28    |
| 15 " . . . . .                    | 73    |
| 30 " . . . . .                    | 21    |
| 70 " . . . . .                    | 1     |
| 157 " . . . . .                   | 1     |
| 287 " . . . . .                   | 1     |
| 331 " . . . . .                   | 1     |
| Returned from probation . . . . . | 56    |
| 1 month . . . . .                 | 452   |
| 2 months . . . . .                | 712   |
| 3 " . . . . .                     | 1,122 |
| 4 " . . . . .                     | 701   |
| 5 " . . . . .                     | 195   |
| 6 " . . . . .                     | 770   |
| 7 " . . . . .                     | 1     |



*Number of times persons sentenced as common drunkards have been committed to the House of Industry:*

|                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |          |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| For the 1st time | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4        |
| “ “ 2d “         | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1        |
| “ “ 3d “         | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1        |
| “ “ 5th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1        |
| “ “ 11th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1        |
| “ “ 13th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1        |
| Total            | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | <u>9</u> |

*Number of times persons committed for non-payment of fines and costs have been committed to the House of Industry:*

|                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| For the 1st time | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1,361 |
| “ “ 2d “         | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 488   |
| “ “ 3d “         | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 302   |
| “ “ 4th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 171   |
| “ “ 5th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 117   |
| “ “ 6th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 76    |
| “ “ 7th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 65    |
| “ “ 8th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 52    |
| “ “ 9th “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 40    |
| “ “ 10th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 40    |
| “ “ 11th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 32    |
| “ “ 12th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 34    |
| “ “ 13th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 20    |
| “ “ 14th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 18    |
| “ “ 15th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 16    |
| “ “ 16th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 9     |
| “ “ 17th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 10    |
| “ “ 18th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 10    |
| “ “ 19th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 11    |
| “ “ 20th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 8     |
| “ “ 21st “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 6     |
| “ “ 22d “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 11    |

|                  |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |              |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------------|
| For the 23d time | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7            |
| “ “ 24th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 6            |
| “ “ 25th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4            |
| “ “ 26th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3            |
| “ “ 27th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4            |
| “ “ 28th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 13           |
| “ “ 29th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 30th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 31st “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 32d “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 33d “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3            |
| “ “ 35th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 36th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 38th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 39th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 41st “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 44th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 45th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 48th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 56th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 60th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 66th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 68th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 72d “        | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| “ “ 74th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2            |
| “ “ 75th “       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1            |
| Total            | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | <u>2,963</u> |

|                                                |   |           |
|------------------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| Largest, House of Industry (Men's Department)  | . | 1,330     |
| “ “ “ “ (Women's “ )                           | . | 370       |
| “ Almshouse Department                         | . | <u>18</u> |
| Smallest, House of Industry (Men's Department) | . | 990       |
| “ “ “ “ (Women's “ )                           | . | 264       |
| “ Almshouse Department                         | . | <u>3</u>  |

|                                               |              |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Average, House of Industry (Men's Department) | . 1,210      |
| “ “ “ “ (Women's “ )                          | . 323        |
| “ Almshouse Department . . . .                | 9            |
|                                               | <hr/>        |
| Total average . . . . .                       | <u>1,542</u> |

The past year has been one of good order and great harmony and general good health has prevailed. One death has occurred among my corps of officers. Mr. Thomas L. Vose, the second oldest officer, of some thirty years' service, died January 12, 1896, at the ripe old age of ninety years and three months, a genial, kind old gentleman, beloved by us all.

The old Board of Commissioners, whose term of office expired July 1, 1895, consisting of three gentlemen, Dr. Thomas L. Jenks, Edwin L. Pillsbury, and John D. Berran, were men of ability and good servants for the city, and my associations with them will ever be remembered with pleasure.

Thanking you, Mr. Commissioner, for the many courtesies extended to me, and wishing you every success, it will be my earnest endeavor to aid and assist you at all times.

Yours very respectfully,

JAMES R. GERRISH,

*Superintendent.*

DEER ISLAND, January 31, 1896.

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

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DEER ISLAND, January 31, 1896.

JAMES R. GERRISH, ESQ., *Superintendent of Deer Island Institutions:*

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit to you my annual report as Chaplain and Director of Music.

The year of work for 1895 has been successfully accomplished and its results are good, and we believe will fully attain the progressive aims looked for from the changes made.

The schools have been removed from our island, "beautiful for situation," where many hundreds of boys have received a good education and discipline for life's struggles.

The truant boys are now at the Parental School in Roxbury, and the reformation boys at Rainsford Island. At this latter place I continue my position as Superintendent of Schools.

The religious services have been faithfully conducted on Sunday as usual, and the spiritual needs of all have been attended to carefully. Funeral services and baptismal rites have been administered when called upon. The congregations at chapel services are large and have continued so, owing to the increased number of inmates. The attention given during worship is marked and we hope inspiration for reform and encouragement is derived. Singing at Sunday service is by the male inmates of the institution, who are formed into a choir and drilled every Saturday afternoon.

Miss Clara W. Baker as organist at Deer Island and also at Long Island fills most acceptably both positions.

*Library.* — This department of the House of Industry is

an important and excellent feature, and through it we seek to interest and elevate the mind of the reader. Most of the inmates of both sexes are fond of reading, and we therefore take pleasure in carefully selecting good literature. The library for the women is well furnished with suitable books, papers, and pamphlets. The men are not so well supplied, but additions are soon expected.

For reading matter we are indebted to the Hospital Newspaper Society, which has our grateful acknowledgments. Our chief source of supply is the city Library, where we are kindly remembered.

I have taken an interest in the material condition of our people ; indeed I have given it considerable attention, and I can record that they are well cared for as to food, clothing, and suitable bedding — all in a home of matchless cleanliness.

My interest is great and sincere for the reform and uplifting of the large number of inmates under your charge — trusting that they may become reliant, self-supporting, and useful in all walks of life.

Allow me to acknowledge your kindly assistance in the various relations of my work.

Respectfully,

W. B. TOULMIN,  
*Chaplain and Director of Music.*

## REPORT OF RESIDENT PHYSICIAN.

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TO JAMES R. GERRISH, ESQ., *Superintendent of Deer Island  
Institutions:*

SIR: I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Medical Department of the institutions under your supervision:

### ALMSHOUSE.

|                                                  |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Patients remaining in hospital February 1, 1895, | 7     |
| Admitted:                                        |       |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 143   |
| Females . . . . .                                | 64    |
|                                                  | — 207 |
|                                                  | —     |
| Total . . . . .                                  | 214   |
|                                                  | —     |
| Discharged . . . . .                             | 196   |
| Died . . . . .                                   | 8     |
|                                                  | — 204 |
| Remaining in hospital February 1, 1895 .         | 10    |
|                                                  | —     |
| Total . . . . .                                  | 214   |
|                                                  | —     |
| Largest number in hospital at one time .         | 19    |
| Smallest “ “ “ “ “ “ .                           | 3     |
| Daily average “ “ “ “ “ .                        | 9     |

## HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

|                                                  |             |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Patients remaining in hospital February 1, 1895, | 84          |
| Admitted :                                       |             |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 1,015       |
| Females . . . . .                                | 532         |
|                                                  | <hr/> 1,547 |
| Total . . . . .                                  | <hr/> 1,631 |
| Discharged . . . . .                             | 1,511       |
| Died . . . . .                                   | 50          |
|                                                  | <hr/> 1,561 |
| Remaining in hospital, February 1, 1896          | 70          |
| Total . . . . .                                  | <hr/> 1,631 |
| Largest number in hospital at any time .         | 96          |
| Smallest “ “ “ “ “ “ .                           | 51          |
| Daily average . . . . .                          | 71          |

## RECAPITULATION.

Number of patients in hospital February 1, 1895 :

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Almhouse . . . . .          | 7           |
| House of Industry . . . . . | 84          |
|                             | <hr/> 91    |
| Admitted :                  |             |
| Almshouse . . . . .         | 207         |
| House of Industry . . . . . | 1,547       |
|                             | <hr/> 1,754 |
| Total . . . . .             | <hr/> 1,845 |

## Discharged :

|                             |       |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|
| Almshouse . . . . .         | 196   |       |
| House of Industry . . . . . | 1,511 |       |
|                             | <hr/> | 1,707 |

## Died :

|                             |       |    |
|-----------------------------|-------|----|
| Almshouse . . . . .         | 8     |    |
| House of Industry . . . . . | 50    |    |
|                             | <hr/> | 58 |

## Remaining in hospital February 1, 1895 :

|                             |       |    |
|-----------------------------|-------|----|
| Almshouse . . . . .         | 10    |    |
| House of Industry . . . . . | 70    |    |
|                             | <hr/> | 80 |

|                 |                       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Total . . . . . | <hr/><br><u>1,845</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|

|                                                  |     |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Largest number in hospital at one time . . . . . | 105 |
| Smallest “ “ “ “ “ “ . . . . .                   | 61  |
| Daily average . . . . .                          | 81  |

Deaths not reported in above tables, two prisoners' children.

DISEASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITALS OF ALL THE DEPARTMENTS.

Classified according to the Nomenclature of Diseases, as published by the Royal College of Physicians of London.

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------|--------|----------------------------|
|                                  |                            |           | Well.       | Improved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Total. |                            |
| GENERAL DISEASES.                |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| A.                               |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Measles .....                    | ...                        | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                        |
| Febricula.....                   | ...                        | 54        | 54          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 54     | ...                        |
| Intermittent fever .....         | ...                        | 19        | 9           | 10        | ...         | ...   | 19     | ...                        |
| Erysipelas .....                 | 1                          | 12        | 12          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 12     | 1                          |
| Anæmia .....                     | ...                        | 5         | ....        | 5         | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                        |
| Chronic malarial poisoning ..... | 4                          | 12        | 4           | 11        | ...         | ...   | 15     | 1                          |
| Parotiditis .....                | ...                        | 7         | 7           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 7      | ...                        |
| Influenza .....                  | ...                        | 32        | 32          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 32     | ...                        |
| B.                               |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Muscular rheumatism.....         | ...                        | 9         | 7           | 2         | ...         | ...   | 9      | ...                        |
| Articular       “ .....          | 2                          | 27        | 20          | 6         | ...         | ...   | 26     | 3                          |
| “       (chronic).....           | ...                        | 11        | ....        | 9         | 2           | ...   | 11     | ...                        |
| Phthisis pulmonalis.....         | 6                          | 26        | ....        | 5         | 18          | 4     | 27     | 5                          |
| Opium habit.....                 | ...                        | 1         | ....        | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                        |

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|                             |                            |           | Well.       | Improved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Total. |                            |
| Alcoholism .....            | 4                          | 234       | 235         | ...       | ...         | ...   | 235    | 3                          |
| Chronic alcoholism .....    | ...                        | 20        | ...         | 20        | ...         | ...   | 20     | ...                        |
| Delirium tremens.....       | 4                          | 154       | 149         | ...       | ...         | 7     | 156    | 2                          |
| Scrofulosis .....           | ...                        | 4         | ...         | 4         | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                        |
| Observation.....            | 3                          | 36        | 34          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 34     | 5                          |
| Malingering .....           | ...                        | 17        | 17          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 17     | ...                        |
| Marasmus .....              | ...                        | 2         | ...         | ...       | ...         | 2     | 2      | ...                        |
| General debility.....       | 6                          | 63        | 55          | 10        | ...         | ...   | 65     | 4                          |
| Senility " .....            | 2                          | 25        | ...         | 2         | 19          | 5     | 26     | 1                          |
| General tuberculosis.....   | 1                          | 3         | ...         | ...       | 3           | 1     | 4      | ...                        |
| DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM. |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Apoplexy .....              | ...                        | 1         | ...         | ...       | ...         | 1     | 1      | ...                        |
| Paresis .....               | ...                        | 4         | ...         | ...       | 3           | 1     | 4      | ...                        |
| Paralysis .....             | ...                        | 2         | ...         | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | ...                        |
| Tetanus .....               | ...                        | 1         | ...         | ...       | ...         | 1     | 1      | ...                        |
| Locomotor Ataxia .....      | ...                        | 2         | ...         | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | ...                        |
| Hysteria .....              | ...                        | 1         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                        |
| Epilepsy.....               | 1                          | 27        | ...         | 2         | 25          | 1     | 28     | ...                        |
| " (alcohol).....            | ...                        | 3         | ...         | 3         | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                        |
| Neuralgia.....              | ...                        | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                        |
| " (facial) .....            | ...                        | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                        |
| Sciatica.....               | ...                        | 1         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...   | ...    | 1                          |
| Pleurodynia.....            | ...                        | 8         | 8           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 8      | ...                        |

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|                                      |                            |           | Well.       | Improved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Total. |                            |
| Lumbago .....                        | ...                        | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                        |
| Cephalalgia.....                     | ...                        | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                        |
| Vertigo.....                         | ...                        | 1         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                        |
| Singultus (chronic).....             | ...                        | 1         | ...         | ...       | 1           | ...   | 1      | ...                        |
| DISEASES OF THE INTELLECT.           |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Insanity .....                       | 5                          | 40        | ....        | ...       | 40          | ...   | 40     | 5                          |
| Mania (acute).....                   | ...                        | 6         | ....        | ...       | 5           | ...   | 5      | 1                          |
| Melancholia.....                     | ...                        | 7         | ....        | ...       | 7           | ...   | 7      | ...                        |
| Dementia.....                        | 1                          | 10        | ....        | ...       | 7           | 1     | 8      | 3                          |
| “ (senile).....                      | ...                        | 2         | ....        | ...       | 1           | 1     | 2      | ...                        |
| False hearing .....                  | ...                        | 4         | ....        | ...       | 4           | ...   | 4      | ...                        |
| Alcoholic insanity .....             | ...                        | 10        | 9           | 1         | ...         | ...   | 10     | ...                        |
| DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.  |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Functional disease of the heart..... | ...                        | 2         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | 2                          |
| Valvular disease of heart.....       | 2                          | 11        | ....        | 1         | 5           | 7     | 13     | ...                        |
| “ “ “ (aortic).....                  | ...                        | 2         | ....        | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | ...                        |
| “ “ “ (mitral) .....                 | ...                        | 4         | ....        | 1         | 3           | ...   | 4      | ...                        |
| DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.  |                            |           |             |           |             |       |        |                            |
| Hemoptysis .....                     | ...                        | 8         | ....        | 8         | ...         | ...   | 8      | ...                        |
| Bronchitis (acute).....              | 8                          | 76        | 68          | 12        | ...         | ...   | 80     | 4                          |
| “ (chronic).....                     | ...                        | 6         | ....        | 1         | 5           | ...   | 6      | ...                        |
| Asthma.....                          | 3                          | 6         | ....        | 8         | ...         | 1     | 9      | ...                        |
| Pneumonia .....                      | 3                          | 83        | 51          | ...       | ...         | 24    | 75     | 11                         |

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|                                   |                           |           | Well.       | Improved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Total. |                           |
| Pleurisy .....                    | ...                       | 6         | 4           | 2         | ...         | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| Chronic catarrhal pneumonia ..... | ...                       | 2         | ...         | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Laryngitis .....                  | ...                       | 1         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| DISEASES OF FAUCES AND PALATE.    |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Tonsilitis .....                  | 2                         | 26        | 28          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 28     | ...                       |
| “ (ulc.) .....                    | ...                       | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| “ (foll.) .....                   | ...                       | 23        | 23          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 23     | ...                       |
| Pharyngitis .....                 | 1                         | 12        | 13          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 13     | ...                       |
| “ (ulc. syph.) .....              | 1                         | 1         | ...         | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM. |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Gastritis .....                   | 2                         | 15        | 17          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 17     | ...                       |
| Dyspepsia .....                   | ...                       | 3         | ...         | 3         | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Gastro-enteritis .....            | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Dysentery .....                   | ...                       | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Diarrhœa .....                    | ...                       | 35        | 32          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 32     | 3                         |
| “ (chronic) .....                 | ...                       | 3         | ...         | 3         | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Constipation .....                | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Intestinal colic .....            | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Cholera morbus .....              | ...                       | 33        | 33          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 33     | ...                       |
| Jaundice (catarrh) .....          | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | ...    | ...                       |
| Indigestion .....                 | ...                       | 14        | 14          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 14     | ...                       |
| Cirrhosis of liver .....          | ...                       | 2         | ...         | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | ...                       |

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|                                   |                           |           | Well.       | Improved. | Unimproved. | Died. | Total. |                           |
| DISEASES OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.   |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Bright's disease (acute).....     | ...                       | 1         | ....        | ...       | ...         | 1     | 1      | ...                       |
| “ “ (chronic).....                | 1                         | 1         | ....        | ...       | 1           | 1     | 2      | ...                       |
| Cystitis .....                    | ...                       | 4         | 1           | 2         | ...         | 1     | 4      | ...                       |
| Incontinence (urine).....         | ...                       | 2         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Retention (urine) .....           | ...                       | 1         | ....        | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| DISEASES OF WOMEN.                |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Engorged breasts.....             | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Retroversion .....                | ...                       | 1         | ....        | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Metritis .....                    | ...                       | 2         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Endometritis .....                | ...                       | 3         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | 1                         |
| Vaginitis (specific) .....        | ...                       | 27        | 19          | 8         | ...         | ...   | 27     | ...                       |
| Uterine fibroid .....             | 1                         | 4         | ....        | ...       | 5           | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Dysmenorrhœa .....                | 1                         | 3         | ....        | 4         | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| Menorrhagia .....                 | ...                       | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Pregnancy .....                   | 4                         | 9         | 8           | ...       | 3           | ...   | 11     | 2                         |
| Abortion.....                     | 1                         | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | 1                         |
| Amenorrhœa .....                  | ...                       | 2         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Metrorrhagia .....                | 1                         | 3         | ....        | 3         | ...         | ...   | 3      | 1                         |
| DISEASES OF THE CUTANEOUS SYSTEM. |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Erythema.....                     | ...                       | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Psoriasis.....                    | ...                       | 4         | ....        | 4         | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| Urticaria .....                   | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |

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| Eczema.....                       | ...                       | 6         | ....        | 4         | 2           | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| “ (capitis).....                  | ...                       | 2         | ....        | 2         | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Herpes circinatus.....            | ...                       | 12        | 12          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 12     | ...                       |
| Pediculi capitis.....             | ...                       | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| “ (vest.).....                    | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| “ (pubis) .....                   | ...                       | 30        | 30          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 30     | ...                       |
| Scabies .....                     | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Surgical Diseases.                |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| VENEREAL D SEASES.                |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Gonorrhœa.....                    | ...                       | 52        | 38          | 14        | ...         | ...   | 52     | ...                       |
| Balanitis.....                    | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Phimosis .....                    | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Paraphimosis.....                 | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Bubo .....                        | ...                       | 10        | 8           | 2         | ...         | ...   | 10     | ...                       |
| Chancre .....                     | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Chancroids.....                   | ...                       | 18        | 18          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 18     | ...                       |
| Orchitis .....                    | ...                       | 8         | 2           | 6         | ...         | ...   | 8      | ...                       |
| Œdema of penis.....               | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Stricture of urethra (org.) ..... | ...                       | 12        | ....        | 11        | ...         | ...   | 11     | 1                         |
| “ “ “ (spasm) .....               | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Syphilis .....                    | 1                         | 4         | ....        | 4         | ...         | ...   | 4      | 1                         |
| “ (secondary) .....               | ...                       | 3         | ....        | 3         | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| “ (tertiary) .....                | 1                         | 15        | ....        | 13        | ...         | ...   | 13     | 3                         |

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| Venereal warts .....             | ...                       | 6         | 6           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| INJURIES.                        |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Burns .....                      | 2                         | 3         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Frost-bite.....                  | 1                         | 3         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| Contusions .....                 | ...                       | 26        | 26          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 26     | ...                       |
| "    of eye .....                | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Incised wounds.....              | ...                       | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Lacerated wounds .....           | ...                       | 8         | 8           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 8      | ...                       |
| "    "    (scalp).....           | ...                       | 30        | 28          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 28     | 2                         |
| "    "    (face).....            | ...                       | 11        | 11          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 11     | ...                       |
| "    "    (hands) .....          | 1                         | 4         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| "    "    (leg) .....            | ...                       | 6         | 6           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| Foreign body in hand .....       | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Sprain of (wrist) .....          | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| "    "    (ankle).....           | 1                         | 17        | 17          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 17     | 1                         |
| "    "    (knee) .....           | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Dislocation of shoulder.....     | 1                         | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | 1                         |
| Fracture of inf. maxilla .....   | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| "    "    nose .....             | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| "    "    clavicle (comp.) ..... | 1                         | 1         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| "    "    radius (colles.) ..... | ...                       | 2         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | 1                         |
| "    "    "    (ulna.).....      | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| "    "    nose (comp.).....      | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |

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| Fracture of ribs .....             | ...                       | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| “ “ patella.....                   | ...                       | 1         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| “ “ fibula .....                   | 1                         | 1         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| “ “ tibia and fibula (comp.) ..... | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| “ “ leg (old).....                 | ...                       | 1         | ...         | ..        | 1           | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| “ “ toe (comp.).....               | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| UNCLASSIFIED.                      |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Varicose veins .....               | ...                       | 8         | ...         | ...       | 8           | ...   | 8      | ...                       |
| Necrosis radius.....               | ...                       | 1         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Hemorrhoids .....                  | ...                       | 12        | 3           | 9         | ...         | ...   | 12     | ...                       |
| Fistula in ano .....               | ...                       | 3         | ...         | ...       | 2           | ...   | 2      | 1                         |
| Abscess .....                      | 1                         | 9         | 10          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 10     | ...                       |
| “ (alveolar) .....                 | ...                       | 22        | 21          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 21     | 1                         |
| “ (palmar) .....                   | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| “ (cervical).....                  | 1                         | 5         | 6           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| Abscess (axillary).....            | 1                         | 3         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| “ (labial) .....                   | ...                       | 4         | 4           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 4      | ...                       |
| “ (perineal) .....                 | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Mastritis.....                     | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Varicose ulcers .....              | ...                       | 21        | 9           | 9         | ...         | ...   | 18     | 3                         |
| Ulcers.....                        | 1                         | 19        | 15          | 4         | ...         | ...   | 19     | 1                         |
| Hernia, inguinal.....              | ...                       | 7         | ...         | ...       | 7           | ...   | 7      | ...                       |
| “ “ (double) .....                 | ...                       | 1         | ...         | ...       | 1           | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| “ (umbilical).....                 | 1                         | 2         | ...         | ...       | 3           | ...   | 3      | ...                       |

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| Furuncle .....                        | ...                       | 5         | 5           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Furunculosis .....                    | ...                       | 3         | 3           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Carbuncle .....                       | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Felon .....                           | ...                       | 3         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | 1                         |
| Hydrocele .....                       | ...                       | 5         | ...         | 5         | ...         | ...   | 5      | ...                       |
| Torticollis .....                     | ...                       | 1         | 1           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Cellulitis.....                       | ...                       | 20        | 20          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 20     | ...                       |
| Ingrowing toe-nails .....             | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Fibroid of breast.....                | 1                         | ...       | ...         | ...       | 1           | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Synovitis .....                       | ...                       | 11        | 4           | 7         | ...         | ...   | 11     | ...                       |
| Epistaxia .....                       | ...                       | 2         | 2           | ...       | ...         | ...   | 2      | ...                       |
| Goitre .....                          | ...                       | 1         | ...         | ...       | 1           | ...   | 1      | ...                       |
| Amputation of leg (old).....          | ...                       | 3         | ...         | ...       | 3           | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| DISEASES OF THE EYE.                  |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Conjunctivitis .....                  | 1                         | 14        | 10          | 3         | ...         | ...   | 13     | 2                         |
| Coreal ulcer .....                    | ...                       | 3         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | 2                         |
| Foreign body in cornea .....          | ...                       | 15        | 15          | ...       | ...         | ...   | 15     | ...                       |
| Iritis .....                          | 1                         | 5         | 4           | 2         | ...         | ...   | 6      | ...                       |
| Blindness .....                       | 1                         | 2         | ...         | ...       | 3           | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Trichiasis.....                       | ...                       | 2         | ...         | 1         | ...         | ...   | 1      | 1                         |
| DISEASES OF THE EAR.                  |                           |           |             |           |             |       |        |                           |
| Chronic inflammation middle ear ..... | ...                       | 3         | ...         | ...       | 3           | ...   | 3      | ...                       |
| Otorrhœa .....                        | 1                         | 7         | 3           | 5         | ...         | ...   | 8      | ...                       |
| Total.....                            | 91                        | 1966      | 1438        | 277       | 202         | 60    | 1977   | 80                        |

NOTE. — Some cases not admitted to the hospitals are included in this classification, which will account for the difference in the number of admissions between the above statistics and the preceding tables.

The past year 1,631 inmates of the House of Industry were admitted to the hospital and received treatment. Of this number 50 died. Besides those admitted to the hospital a great many of the inmates received treatment for minor ailments at sick-call. There were also admitted to the hospital 214 paupers, most of whom were received on application of Dr. George F. Jelly, the examining physician in lunacy, and were suffering with delirium tremens or else sent for observation as regards their sanity.

There were 8 births — 4 male and 4 female, 2 still-born. In the nursery 45 children of prisoners were received.

The original plan of this hospital calls for another ward on the male side and we need it very badly as we are crowded for room on that side and are obliged, especially during the fall and winter months, to sleep patients in beds made up on the floor. At times we have had as many as eighteen sleeping in this manner. As regards repairs, painting, and furnishings, the hospital is in excellent condition.

December 5, 1895, Dr. Francis A. Lane, Port and Assistant Resident Physician, resigned to enter upon private practice and was succeeded by Dr. David D. Brough, who was promoted January 1, 1896. Dr. B. H. Metcalf was appointed Assistant Port Physician. Dr. John A. Hickey was appointed interne July 1, 1895.

Rev. Father Hamilton, S.J., and Rev. M. Toulmin are very faithful in attending to the spiritual welfare of the sick and dying.

Thanking you for the many courtesies extended me, I am

Very respectfully,

THOMAS F. ROCHE, M.D.,

*Resident Physician.*

DEER ISLAND, BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1896.

## COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

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SOUTH BOSTON, February 1, 1896.

DR. A. B. HEATH, *Institutions Commissioner*:

DEAR SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report and statistics of the Suffolk County House of Correction for the year ending with January 31, 1896.

By comparison with last year we find a few less number of committals and a few less as the daily average. At this date the numbers vary but little from one year ago; the indications are that we shall in the near future be more overcrowded than now: with cells full, eighty-four sleeping in a dormitory, formerly a shop, and a number sleeping on the floor in corridor. I am again inclined to urge that immediate action be taken towards providing better accommodations for the increase in numbers which seem bound to come. Classification and reform under such conditions is a problem, yet I believe that many go out from here reformed, leading an honorable life and earning an honest living.

The most important change during the year is in our hospital arrangements, — the transfer of the insane from the old hospital to the new at Austin and Pierce Farms gave us the opportunity to improve. Carpenters and painters were put to work repairing and cleaning, so that now our sick are well provided for. The lower cells in hospital block are arranged for solitaires and are lighted; the old and small dark solitaires in east wing are now ordinary cells and are used as such.

All these changes have increased our running expenses,

especially items of repairs and alterations, salaries, and fuel and lights. Many repairs have also been made upon the old plant to keep it in order and presentable. Repairs are still necessary for safety and comfort of those who may be required to manage or live within its walls.

There are no other special changes to notice. The industries and general management continue as heretofore; the garden and orchard furnished the usual amount of truck and fruit; fourteen thousand five hundred and eighty-two pounds of pork was slaughtered.

The statistics for the institution are herewith given :

|                                           | Males.       | Females.   | Total.       |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Remaining January 31, 1895 . . .          | 587          | 76         | 663          |
| Committed by courts . . .                 | 969          | 163        | 1,132        |
| Transferred from other institutions .     | 6            | 1          | 7            |
| Returned from escape . . .                | 1            | 0          | 1            |
|                                           | <u>1,563</u> | <u>240</u> | <u>1,803</u> |
| Discharged . . . . .                      | 991          | 172        | 1,163        |
|                                           | <u>572</u>   | <u>68</u>  | <u>640</u>   |
| Remaining January 31, 1896 . . .          |              |            |              |
| Largest number during the year . . . . .  |              |            | 687          |
| Smallest number during the year . . . . . |              |            | 549          |

Average number during the year :

|                   |               |
|-------------------|---------------|
| Males . . . . .   | 552.96        |
| Females . . . . . | 69.05         |
| Total . . . . .   | <u>622.01</u> |

The record of weight of prisoners discharged during the year is as follows :

796 gained 6,916 lbs. ; 260 lost 1,608 lbs. ; 106 neither gained or lost.

Average gain per prisoner, 4 lbs. 9 oz.

*Causes for discharge:*

|                                                                                                                                        | Males.    | Females.  | Total       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Expired sentence . . . . .                                                                                                             | 779       | 128       | 907         |
| Fines paid (amounting to \$1,844.70),<br>By order Municipal Court for non-<br>payment of fine, after serving<br>three months . . . . . | 52        | 13        | 65          |
| Pardoned by Governor . . . . .                                                                                                         | 6         | 0         | 6           |
| Pardoned by commissioner . . . . .                                                                                                     | 81        | 16        | 97          |
| By order of Commissioners of<br>Prisons . . . . .                                                                                      | 7         | 0         | 7           |
| Transferred to other institutions . . . . .                                                                                            | 13        | 2         | 15          |
| Transferred to lunatic hospitals . . . . .                                                                                             | 13        | 2         | 15          |
| Died . . . . .                                                                                                                         | 5         | 0         | 5           |
| Bailed . . . . .                                                                                                                       | 4         | 0         | 4           |
| Escaped . . . . .                                                                                                                      | 5         | 0         | 5           |
|                                                                                                                                        | <hr/> 991 | <hr/> 172 | <hr/> 1,163 |

*Offences for which committed:*

|                                                   | Males. | Females. |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Drunkenness . . . . .                             | 256    | 75       |
| Larceny . . . . .                                 | 228    | 25       |
| Assault and battery . . . . .                     | 103    | 0        |
| Breaking and entering . . . . .                   | 46     | 0        |
| Larceny from the person . . . . .                 | 31     | 2        |
| Larceny in a building . . . . .                   | 24     | 0        |
| Idle and disorderly . . . . .                     | 19     | 5        |
| Receiving stolen goods . . . . .                  | 16     | 2        |
| Unlawfully selling intoxicating liquors . . . . . | 12     | 15       |
| Lewd and lascivious cohabitation . . . . .        | 13     | 5        |
| Being a vagrant . . . . .                         | 10     | 2        |
| Indecent exposure . . . . .                       | 10     | 0        |
| Assault . . . . .                                 | 9      | 0        |
| Non-support of wife and minor child . . . . .     | 9      | 0        |
| Assault with loaded pistol . . . . .              | 10     | 0        |

|                                                                                       | Males. | Females. |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Assault and battery on an officer . . .                                               | 8      | 0        |
| Forgery . . . . .                                                                     | 8      | 0        |
| Robbery . . . . .                                                                     | 8      | 0        |
| Embezzlement . . . . .                                                                | 7      | 1        |
| Attempt to break and enter . . . . .                                                  | 7      | 0        |
| Assault with intent to rob . . . . .                                                  | 7      | 0        |
| Adultery . . . . .                                                                    | 7      | 3        |
| Unlawfully taking a horse or horses . . .                                             | 7      | 0        |
| Larceny from an express wagon . . . . .                                               | 6      | 0        |
| Assault and battery with a knife . . . .                                              | 6      | 0        |
| Peddling without a license . . . . .                                                  | 6      | 0        |
| Keeping and maintaining a nuisance . . .                                              | 5      | 1        |
| Cheating by false pretences . . . . .                                                 | 5      | 0        |
| Assault with a dangerous weapon . . . .                                               | 4      | 0        |
| Fraudulently conveying personal property<br>held under conditional contract of sale . | 4      | 0        |
| Attempt to commit larceny . . . . .                                                   | 4      | 0        |
| Being a vagabond . . . . .                                                            | 5      | 0        |
| Unlawfully exposing and keeping for sale<br>intoxicating liquors . . . . .            | 7      | 3        |
| Fornication . . . . .                                                                 | 3      | 5        |
| Indecent assault and battery . . . . .                                                | 3      | 0        |
| Keeping a noisy and disorderly house . .                                              | 3      | 1        |
| Assault on a police officer . . . . .                                                 | 2      | 0        |
| Unnatural and lascivious act . . . . .                                                | 2      | 0        |
| Manslaughter . . . . .                                                                | 2      | 0        |
| Disturbing religious worship . . . . .                                                | 2      | 0        |
| Unlawfully selling chance in policy . . .                                             | 2      | 0        |
| Larceny from realty . . . . .                                                         | 2      | 0        |
| Maliciously breaking glass . . . . .                                                  | 3      | 0        |
| Confining for purpose of stealing . . . .                                             | 2      | 0        |
| Obtaining property or money on false pre-<br>tences . . . . .                         | 4      | 0        |
| Polygamy . . . . .                                                                    | 1      | 3        |
| Attempt to commit larceny from the person,                                            | 1      | 1        |

|                                                                     | Males.    | Females.  |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Assault and battery with a razor . . . . .                          | 1         | 1         |
| Assault and battery with a pair of shears . . . . .                 | 1         | 0         |
| Assault and battery with a stick of wood . . . . .                  | 1         | 0         |
| Assault and battery with a metallic staple . . . . .                | 1         | 0         |
| Common drunkard . . . . .                                           | 1         | 0         |
| Unlawfully escaping from a constable . . . . .                      | 1         | 0         |
| Perjury . . . . .                                                   | 1         | 0         |
| Assault with intent to rob, being armed . . . . .                   | 1         | 0         |
| Assault with intent to murder . . . . .                             | 1         | 0         |
| Fraud . . . . .                                                     | 1         | 0         |
| Breaking and entering without intent to<br>commit larceny . . . . . | 1         | 0         |
| Escaping from House of Correction . . . . .                         | 1         | 0         |
| Conspiracy to cheat and defraud . . . . .                           | 1         | 0         |
| Mayhem . . . . .                                                    | 1         | 0         |
| Keeping house of ill-fame . . . . .                                 | 1         | 0         |
| Using obscene language . . . . .                                    | 1         | 0         |
| Assault with a razor . . . . .                                      | 1         | 0         |
| Attempt to pass worthless promissory note . . . . .                 | 1         | 0         |
| Lewd and lascivious person . . . . .                                | 1         | 0         |
| Uttering forged orders . . . . .                                    | 1         | 0         |
| Threatening to commit assault and battery . . . . .                 | 1         | 0         |
| Torturing a cow . . . . .                                           | 1         | 0         |
| Larceny from common carrier . . . . .                               | 1         | 0         |
| “ “ vessel . . . . .                                                | 1         | 0         |
| “ “ conveyance . . . . .                                            | 1         | 0         |
| Having policy slips . . . . .                                       | 1         | 0         |
| Profanity . . . . .                                                 | 1         | 0         |
| Passing worthless note . . . . .                                    | 1         | 0         |
| Selling obscene pictures . . . . .                                  | 1         | 0         |
| Common night-walker . . . . .                                       | 0         | 12        |
| Disturbing the peace . . . . .                                      | 0         | 1         |
| Malicious injury to personal property . . . . .                     | 1         | 0         |
|                                                                     | <hr/> 969 | <hr/> 163 |



## AGES OF PRISONERS COMMITTED.

|                                  | Males. | Females. |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Under 20 years . . . . .         | 56     | 1        |
| 20 to 29 " (inclusive) . . . . . | 404    | 68       |
| 30 " 39 " " . . . . .            | 279    | 52       |
| 40 " 49 " " . . . . .            | 155    | 31       |
| 50 " 59 " " . . . . .            | 58     | 7        |
| 60 " 69 " " . . . . .            | 16     | 3        |
| 70 " 79 " " . . . . .            | 1      | 0        |
| Not known . . . . .              | 0      | 1        |
|                                  | <hr/>  | <hr/>    |
|                                  | 969    | 163      |
|                                  | <hr/>  | <hr/>    |

## NUMBER OF TIMES COMMITTED TO THIS INSTITUTION.

|                         | Males. | Females. |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|
| First . . . . .         | 631    | 120      |
| Second . . . . .        | 142    | 29       |
| Third . . . . .         | 70     | 6        |
| Fourth . . . . .        | 30     | 2        |
| Fifth . . . . .         | 25     | 2        |
| Sixth . . . . .         | 16     | 1        |
| Seventh . . . . .       | 16     | 1        |
| Eighth . . . . .        | 11     | 0        |
| Ninth . . . . .         | 3      | 1        |
| Tenth . . . . .         | 1      | 1        |
| Eleventh . . . . .      | 3      | 0        |
| Twelfth . . . . .       | 2      | 0        |
| Thirteenth . . . . .    | 4      | 0        |
| Fourteenth . . . . .    | 1      | 0        |
| Fifteenth . . . . .     | 2      | 0        |
| Sixteenth . . . . .     | 2      | 0        |
| Twenty-first . . . . .  | 1      | 0        |
| Twenty-second . . . . . | 2      | 0        |
| Twenty-third . . . . .  | 1      | 0        |
| Twenty-fourth . . . . . | 1      | 0        |

|                          | Males. | Females. |
|--------------------------|--------|----------|
| Thirtieth . . . . .      | 1      | 0        |
| Thirty-first . . . . .   | 1      | 0        |
| Thirty-fifth . . . . .   | 1      | 0        |
| Thirty-sixth . . . . .   | 1      | 0        |
| Thirty-seventh . . . . . | 1      | 0        |
|                          | <hr/>  | <hr/>    |
|                          | 969    | 163      |
|                          | <hr/>  | <hr/>    |

*Nativity:*

|                                |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Massachusetts . . . . .        | 492 |
| New York . . . . .             | 44  |
| Maine . . . . .                | 39  |
| Virginia . . . . .             | 20  |
| New Hampshire . . . . .        | 18  |
| Connecticut . . . . .          | 10  |
| Pennsylvania . . . . .         | 9   |
| Rhode Island . . . . .         | 8   |
| Maryland . . . . .             | 8   |
| Illinois . . . . .             | 7   |
| Vermont . . . . .              | 6   |
| New Jersey . . . . .           | 6   |
| North Carolina . . . . .       | 6   |
| Ohio . . . . .                 | 4   |
| South Carolina . . . . .       | 3   |
| Georgia . . . . .              | 3   |
| Florida . . . . .              | 2   |
| Alabama . . . . .              | 2   |
| Louisiana . . . . .            | 2   |
| California . . . . .           | 2   |
| District of Columbia . . . . . | 1   |
| Texas . . . . .                | 1   |
| Missouri . . . . .             | 1   |
| Kentucky . . . . .             | 1   |
| Colorado . . . . .             | 1   |
| Minnesota . . . . .            | 1   |

# INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

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|                           |   |     |
|---------------------------|---|-----|
| Montana . . . . .         | 1 |     |
| Not known . . . . .       | 1 |     |
| At sea . . . . .          | 1 |     |
| Ireland . . . . .         |   | 194 |
| Provinces . . . . .       |   | 76  |
| Italy . . . . .           |   | 40  |
| England . . . . .         |   | 39  |
| Canada . . . . .          |   | 20  |
| Scotland . . . . .        |   | 11  |
| Germany . . . . .         |   | 9   |
| Sweden . . . . .          |   | 8   |
| Russia . . . . .          |   | 8   |
| Poland . . . . .          |   | 5   |
| West Indies . . . . .     |   | 4   |
| Newfoundland . . . . .    |   | 3   |
| Western Islands . . . . . |   | 3   |
| Norway . . . . .          |   | 2   |
| Australia . . . . .       |   | 2   |
| Arabia . . . . .          |   | 2   |
| France . . . . .          |   | 1   |
| Austria . . . . .         |   | 1   |
| Greece . . . . .          |   | 1   |
| Syria . . . . .           |   | 1   |
| South America . . . . .   |   | 1   |
| Mexico . . . . .          |   | 1   |

|                                 |     |  |
|---------------------------------|-----|--|
| Born in United States . . . . . | 700 |  |
|---------------------------------|-----|--|

|                                     |  |     |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----|
| Born in Foreign Countries . . . . . |  | 432 |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----|

## *Number committed from each court:*

|                                       |     |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Municipal Criminal Court . . . . .    | 434 |
| Superior “ “ . . . . .                | 356 |
| Chelsea Police Court . . . . .        | 232 |
| South Boston District Court . . . . . | 52  |
| Roxbury “ “ . . . . .                 | 25  |

|              |                |   |   |   |              |
|--------------|----------------|---|---|---|--------------|
| Brighton     | District Court | . | . | . | 7            |
| Dorchester   | "              | " | . | . | 11           |
| East Boston  | "              | " | . | . | 5            |
| Charlestown  | "              | " | . | . | 5            |
| West Roxbury | "              | " | . | . | 5            |
|              |                |   |   |   | <u>1,132</u> |

*Number committed and discharged during the year:*

| COMMITTED. |            |              | 1895.     | DISCHARGED. |            |              |
|------------|------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| Males.     | Females.   | Total.       |           | Males.      | Females.   | Total.       |
| 54         | 8          | 62           | February  | 77          | 20         | 97           |
| 85         | 20         | 105          | March     | 71          | 19         | 90           |
| 104        | 21         | 125          | April     | 83          | 10         | 93           |
| 82         | 13         | 95           | May       | 87          | 13         | 100          |
| 49         | 19         | 68           | June      | 75          | 25         | 100          |
| 80         | 20         | 100          | July      | 103         | 17         | 120          |
| 77         | 8          | 85           | August    | 95          | 15         | 110          |
| 63         | 10         | 73           | September | 92          | 11         | 103          |
| 102        | 13         | 115          | October   | 91          | 9          | 100          |
| 66         | 6          | 72           | November  | 63          | 10         | 73           |
| 103        | 17         | 120          | December  | 71          | 11         | 82           |
|            |            |              | 1896.     |             |            |              |
| 111        | 9          | 120          | January   | 83          | 12         | 95           |
| <u>976</u> | <u>164</u> | <u>1,140</u> |           | <u>991</u>  | <u>172</u> | <u>1,163</u> |

*Whole number committed during the year:*

|         |   |   |   |   |   |       |
|---------|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| Males   | . | . | . | . | . | 969   |
| Females | . | . | . | . | . | 163   |
| Adults  | . | . | . | . | . | 1,054 |
| Minors  | . | . | . | . | . | 78    |
| White   | . | . | . | . | . | 1,045 |
| Colored | . | . | . | . | . | 87    |

*Miscellaneous:*

|                                                                     |     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Married . . . . .                                                   | 361 |
| Persons who cannot read or write . . . . .                          | 116 |
| Persons who can read but not write . . . . .                        | 28  |
| Persons born in Massachusetts who cannot<br>read or write . . . . . | 11  |

The reports of Dr. W. B. Bancroft, visiting physician, and Rev. S. Stanley Searing, chaplain, are enclosed.

Again extending thanks to commissioners and commissioner and to our assistants in the management, I remain,

Very respectfully,

JOHN C. WHITON,  
*Master.*

## PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

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BOSTON, January 31, 1896.

TO COL. JOHN C. WHITON, *Master of the House of Correction*:

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the Medical Department of this institution for the year ending January 31, 1896:

|                                                                                                 |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Patients remaining in Hospital, February 1, 1895                                                | 15  |
| Number admitted since . . . . .                                                                 | 205 |
| Total number treated in hospital, February 1, 1895,<br>to January 31, 1896, inclusive . . . . . | 220 |
| Number discharged . . . . .                                                                     | 199 |
| “ died . . . . .                                                                                | 5   |
| Remaining in Hospital, January 31, 1896 . . . . .                                               | 16  |

The following list gives the diseases and the number of times patients have been treated in the hospital:

### MEDICAL.

|                           |    |                              |    |
|---------------------------|----|------------------------------|----|
| Alcoholism . . . . .      | 36 | Neuralgia . . . . .          | 1  |
| Asthma . . . . .          | 1  | Observation . . . . .        | 1  |
| Bronchitis . . . . .      | 3  | Opium habit . . . . .        | 3  |
| Cholera morbus . . . . .  | 1  | Hypochondria . . . . .       | 2  |
| Diarrhoea . . . . .       | 4  | Hysteria . . . . .           | 2  |
| Gastritis . . . . .       | 2  | Inflammation of bile duct, . | 1  |
| Heart disease, valvular . | 1  | Influenza . . . . .          | 26 |
| Hemorrhage, pulmonary, .  | 3  | Lunatic . . . . .            | 15 |
| Hepatitis . . . . .       | 2  | Malaria . . . . .            | 8  |

|                        |    |                                    |     |
|------------------------|----|------------------------------------|-----|
| Malingerer . . . . .   | 14 | Tuberculosis, glandular, . . . . . | 2   |
| Masturbation . . . . . | 1  | Tuberculosis, pulmonary, . . . . . | 14  |
| Pneumonia . . . . .    | 2  |                                    | —   |
| Rheumatism . . . . .   | 14 |                                    | 159 |

## SURGICAL.

|                          |   |                              |    |
|--------------------------|---|------------------------------|----|
| Abscess . . . . .        | 4 | Fracture, fore-arm . . . . . | 1  |
| Appendicitis . . . . .   | 3 | Hemorrhoids . . . . .        | 1  |
| Boil . . . . .           | 2 | Iritis . . . . .             | 1  |
| Bruise . . . . .         | 2 | Lumbago . . . . .            | 1  |
| Bubo . . . . .           | 1 | Œdema of prepuce . . . . .   | 1  |
| Cancer . . . . .         | 1 | Orchitis . . . . .           | 3  |
| Chancroid . . . . .      | 1 | Otitis . . . . .             | 1  |
| Conjunctivitis . . . . . | 2 | Sprain . . . . .             | 3  |
| Carbuncle . . . . .      | 2 | Syphilis . . . . .           | 4  |
| Crushed finger . . . . . | 1 | Tonsillitis . . . . .        | 4  |
| Eczema . . . . .         | 1 | Ulcer . . . . .              | 2  |
| Erysipelas . . . . .     | 1 | Urticaria . . . . .          | 1  |
| Fissure, anal . . . . .  | 1 |                              | —  |
| Fistula, anal . . . . .  | 1 |                              | 46 |

Five men have died during the year, two from pneumonia and three from pulmonary tuberculosis.

Thirteen men and two women have been adjudged to be insane, and have been transferred to hospitals for the insane.

During the year the sick have exchanged their poorly lighted and ventilated quarters in the old hospital for well lighted and ventilated rooms in one of the wings of the building formerly occupied by the patients of the Boston Lunatic Hospital.

This change has been a most welcome one to both patients and physician. The use of the old hospital as a place for punishment gives men under discipline cells which are large, well-ventilated, and open to the light of day.

Respectfully,

W. B. BANCROFT,  
*Physician.*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

SOUTH BOSTON, January 21, 1896.

COL. JOHN C. WHITON, *Master of the House of Correction* :

SIR : As chaplain and librarian of this institution I have the honor to submit the following report of the year ending January 31, 1896 :

### STATISTICS.

The following is an abbreviated statement of donations made to the library during the past twelve months :

|                                             |       |       |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Inmates' donation . . . . .                 | Vols. | 888   |
| By the Hospital Newspaper Society . . . . . | "     | 199   |
| By various societies and persons . . . . .  | "     | 319   |
| By the chaplain . . . . .                   | "     | 31    |
| Periodicals donated . . . . .               | "     | 1,191 |
|                                             |       | <hr/> |
|                                             |       | 2,628 |

|                         |       |     |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|
| Books rebound . . . . . | Vols. | 403 |
| “ destroyed . . . . .   | "     | 832 |

In my first report I felt constrained to say : "It was the earnest desire of my predecessor (Rev. Dr. Clark) that there might be a better library system, and it is my own earnest wish. Just so long as the present library system prevails, there will be no way to check the destruction of numbers of books that might reach a majority of the inmates, were it not that they were so marked and defaced by the few who

have the first reading as to make their final destruction a moral necessity." I feel particularly happy that I am able to note here that by the endorsement of a system submitted to the commissioner, Dr. Heath, and with your own hearty approval and coöperation, we have been enabled to inaugurate a temporary system which it is hoped will develop into a permanent system similar to that in use in other institutions like this. This, we hope, will obviate the necessity of destroying books and periodicals, because it will make each inmate personally responsible for the book given into his care. Even under our old method, which was exceedingly poor, there has been a decided improvement, and against twelve hundred and fifty-three books reported destroyed one year ago, we have only eight hundred and thirty-two to report for the past year. However, we look for much greater improvement under the new system, and still greater when the preservation of a permanent library is an assured fact. I hesitate to ask for an annual appropriation for the purpose of purchasing new books because of the destruction of so many in the past. I trust, however, if in another year we can show our new system has been an economical one, it will be possible for us to reasonably ask and expect a small yearly appropriation for the improvement of the inmates' mental and moral condition. I hope, also, that we may be able to establish a small, separate library of three or four hundred volumes in the men's hospital, and considerably augment the very meagre library in the women's department. Men and women in this institution are forced to read because of enforced solitude, and those who have never cared for reading when at liberty become fond of it here if given good interesting literature; and it is as much in this way as in the preaching of the gospel that we look for moral and intellectual reform, because as the taste for reading is cultivated the character of the reading itself is improved by books that provide for real

permanent information on gospel lines. I rejoice that in all I have undertaken to do I have had your earnest coöperation and advice.

#### CHAPEL SERVICES.

The services have been held every Sunday afternoon at the usual hour. During an absence of two Sundays the chaplain provided substitutes. We have been visited by quite a number of ministers and laymen and women who have undertaken by prayer and precept to assist us in our religious and moral work. I think during the past year there has been a much larger demand for Bibles and Prayer Books in both Roman Catholic and Protestant Episcopal, as well as a greater interest in religious weekly papers and monthly magazines.

I hope it may be possible in the coming year to establish a weekly service in the men's hospital, either on Sunday or on a week-day afternoon, that religious comfort may be extended to those who are sick as well as to those who are able to attend the chapel services. I also hope to be able to visit men in the prison building from time to time so that those who do not avail themselves of the opportunity of seeing the chaplain in his office may see him as he goes from room to room.

I wish here to thank the Commissioner for furthering my work, and to express my personal gratitude to the Master, Deputy, Officers, and Matrons for assisting me so kindly in the prosecution of my duties generally.

Respectfully submitted,

S. STANLEY SEARING,

*Chaplain.*

## BOSTON INSANE HOSPITAL, PIERCE FARM.

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*To the Institutions Commissioner:*

I herewith present the following report of the hospital for the year ending December 31, 1895, it being the fifty-seventh annual report:

At the beginning of the year there were in the hospital 457 patients, — 194 men and 263 women, — the greatest number ever cared for in the hospital. There were admitted 166 — 84 men and 82 women, which makes the whole number under treatment 623. The daily average was 493, the highest number 527, and the lowest 468.

There were 110 patients discharged — 21 as recovered, 20 as much improved, 10 as improved, 10 as not improved, 42 died, and 7 emergency and State cases transferred, leaving in the hospital at the end of the year 513.

The percentage of recoveries,<sup>1</sup> based upon admission, was 18.75, and calculated upon the discharges, including the deaths, was 20.39.

Of those discharged, 7 were transferred to State hospitals; 1 to Worcester; 2 to Taunton; and 4 to Westborough. There were 15 escaped; 12 were returned to the hospital; 1 was discharged at the request of friends; and 2, who were not considered dangerous, have not been heard from.

Of those admitted, 9 were cases of acute mania and 24 of acute melancholia; 133 were suffering from other forms of insanity. There were 47 transferred from State hospitals.

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<sup>1</sup> Excluding cases transferred.

Forty-two patients died during the year, — 20 men and 22 women. The rate of mortality was somewhat less than it was last year, — 6.7 on the whole number under treatment and 8.5 on the average. Some of the causes of death were as follows: 2 died of acute mania, 7 of general paresis, 6 from other forms of organic disease of the brain, 8 from phthisis.

There has been little sickness.

In April the patients at the hospital in South Boston were transferred to the new hospital at "Pierce Farm," Mattapan; this was effected in two days, — on the 15th and 16th.

We are indebted to Mr. Robertson and Miss Thompson and Harvard students for entertaining; to Mrs. S. E. Osborn for furnishing talent, and to Mr. C. F. Adams for sending newspapers.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. BOLTON,

*Acting Superintendent.*

# BOSTON INSANE HOSPITAL, AUSTIN FARM.

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ROSLINDALE, MASS., January 31, 1896.

*To the Institutions Commissioner :*

SIR : The following report of this institution is respectfully submitted :

From September 1, 1889, to August 5, 1895, the institution at Austin Farm was a portion of the Boston Lunatic Hospital. On the latter date you saw fit to make this institution independent, and did me the honor to make me superintendent. My report consequently deals chiefly with the last six months.

On August 6 there were 159 males and 210 females, a total of 369. Since then but seven patients have been admitted, six transferred from the hospital at Pierce Farm, and one admitted as a voluntary patient. Thirteen patients have been discharged in this time, leaving, on January 31, 153 males, 210 females, total, 363. Since January 31, 1895, 20 patients have died at Austin Farm. This is 5.7 per cent. of the daily average, or 5 per cent. of the whole number treated. This very low death-rate is a source of congratulation. The average age of those dying was 53.75 years.

The general health of the patients has been excellent. Excepting tuberculosis, there has been no case of contagious disease among the patients during the year.

It would have been very difficult to make the tables of statistics required by the State Board of Lunacy and Charity for

the Austin Farm separate from those of the Pierce Farm for this year. These tables are therefore made for the two institutions as formerly for the calendar year. Any other arrangement would have seriously vitiated the value of the statistics.

Our population of 374 is cared for in four buildings, two for males and two for females.

The building known as "B" is in reality a single ward and contains beds for 112 men, mostly in four dormitories. The men from this ward go to the congregate dining-room for their meals.

During the past year the dining-room and pantry in this building have been transformed to a dormitory and lavatory. The kitchen was partitioned in such a way as to provide sleeping-rooms for eight male employees. These changes made accommodations for ten more patients.

The ventilation in this building had been extremely bad, and in July this was remedied to a great extent. The windows formerly had been stopped at six inches. The stops for the lower sash were removed and half-guards put on to prevent accidents or escapes. The transoms, which had been fixed, were now opened, thus giving a very much larger amount of fresh air and making the building much cooler in summer. If the closets in this building were ventilated by a shaft instead of by the windows, as at present, the air would be even better.

The other building for men, "C," stands by itself and has two wards of 25 beds each and has 36 single rooms for patients' use. This building is very well suited for its purpose and needs merely a few alterations in plumbing.

But with only three wards for 162 patients the classification is of necessity imperfect, but the condition in this respect is far less serious than in the women's wards.

A ward built from the same plans as "C," known as "E," is used for women, and, so far as its capacity allows, answers

its purpose fairly well. During the past year an airing court has been provided for the patients in this building and was put to very good use the past summer. A shelter should be erected in the court this spring.

Both "E" and "C" wards should be fitted with double windows in the winter. It would save in coal sufficiently the first year to pay the cost of the windows.

The old building (Ward A) while it has seven dormitories is to all intents a single ward, as it allows of almost no classification in the daytime for 162 women. These women, so far as able, go to the congregate dining-room for meals.

During the past year numerous minor changes have been made here. Formerly the bedridden cases were in the attic of this wooden building, where in case of fire there must have been loss of life. These cases were removed to the first floor at the earliest opportunity after the dining-room ceased to be used. A provisional infirmary ward was thus obtained in the southern rooms heretofore used as day-rooms. New plumbing was put in the dining-room and this converted to a day-room. New windows and shifting of doors allowed of more room and air.

But alterations of this sort are mere temporary make-shifts and when done we have remaining a very faulty condition, — a dilapidated structure, utterly unsuited for the care of the insane, a veritable fire-trap. Summed up we have only three wards for 212 insane women, an unusual proportion of whom are cases who need single rooms. For these women there are only 44 single rooms, of which only 37 can be heated, where 100 are needed.

This defect of single rooms leads to more serious consequences than appear at first sight. It leads to an excessive use of restraint; it causes such irritation that it makes patients who would otherwise be well-behaved, very troublesome, noisy, destructive, and violent. It compels the physicians and nurses to tolerate things that should not be, and

this cannot fail to lower the general standard of care. This old building, with the so-called administration building attached, should be removed or destroyed at the earliest possible moment, and the site occupied by a suitable series of wards for about 200 women.

Temporary relief to a very considerable degree would be obtained by the removal to some other institution of 35 turbulent women who are so improperly housed here. This hospital occupies an almost unique position in that it has normally no method of relief from overcrowding by transfer.

An especial effort has been made the past year to employ more patients, or at least to furnish them with occupation.

A male attendant has been employed to train dull, indifferent men to regular habits of industry. This has met with a very fair degree of success.

A number of women, a few of whom were formerly very destructive, have been induced to do some fancy work. Here we meet with several agreeable surprises. One patient has shown an unexpected interest in drawing.

Much more could be accomplished in this line I am sure if we had more officers, but we cannot have these until we have larger quarters, as we are unable to properly accommodate the employees now here.

There is great need of a large sewing-room and of an assistant seamstress to direct the work for less intelligent women. This reform cannot be instituted until we have more room.

The selection and retention of suitable attendants is one of the most serious duties of a hospital superintendent. To elevate this important branch of the service more care has been used in selecting candidates. Each applicant now enters the service on a probation of two months. At the end of that time, if satisfactory, the attendants, both male and female, put on the uniform recently adopted. They

enter the service with the understanding to remain in it a year, without actually binding themselves to do so however. It is expected that lectures will be given them before long.

The effect of these changes is easily noticed. There is better discipline, more willing service, and an *esprit du corps*.

I would urge for your consideration the adoption of graded wages proportional to the length of service. I consider this very important and feel certain it would lead to a longer service for good attendants.

I would also strongly recommend a separate building for the use of attendants. The hours of duty are long, the work is exhaustive of nervous energy, and at present an attendant's rest is often so disturbed that one is obliged to begin work when fatigued and irritable, which is wrong. Our attendants have a separate dining-room in a central building, an advantage not common to hospitals of this sort. Separate dormitory facilities would be a great boon. This change would increase our single-room capacity for patients.

The separation of the two institutions at Austin and Pierce Farms has been made so far as is practicable. If these institutions are to be maintained separately it is desirable that they be still further divorced. At present there is but one laundry and bakery for the two places, and these are at Austin Farm. No milk is now raised at Austin Farm; one-half is furnished from the Pierce Farm and the rest is purchased.

There is not sufficient tillable land here to raise the usual amount of vegetables, nor enough to keep our available patient labor occupied; whereas at the Pierce Farm there is more tillable land than is needed for crops or that can be used by the labor available. I would recommend that a tract of eight acres be set aside at the Pierce Farm for our use the coming season.

Recently a system of orders and requisitions has been introduced similar to that in all large institutions. A store-

room has been equipped in the old ironing-room. A special store-room for soap was readily adapted from the old drying-room. It is well supplied with heat, and we now have in it a large supply of soap which will be well dried before used.

A male cook has been employed and has charge of the cooking and the kitchen stores. This change resulted in a decided saving, and the food is much better prepared than under the old arrangement.

More office room has been secured and the dispensary enlarged by taking the old dining-room used by attendants. The buildings are connected with the office by an excellent telephone service, which has proved a great convenience. Indeed, with our detached buildings it was a necessity in the winter season.

A room for mattress work has been fitted up in the basement.

The water supply in the old building was deficient and a new pipe was laid this fall which entirely remedied the trouble. For several months two carpenters have been employed in alterations and equipping the new wards with clothes-boxes and similar conveniences.

I would recommend the removal of the barn, piggery, and adjacent buildings, using a part of the site now covered by them for new wards. I would have a new brick stable built at the southern end of the grounds on Back street.

We have been obliged to dispose of the hogs this fall; the piggery was so near the wards and situated south-west of the old building so that the prevailing wind in summer made the wards in "A" very unpleasant. There is no suitable site for a piggery here, and I would recommend that one be put up at the Pierce Farm. It would be a source of profit to the institutions.

The substitution of electricity for gasolene for lighting cannot be done too quickly. The use of gasolene is very dangerous as well as unsatisfactory. It is so uncleanly that

it mars the appearance of the wards. Within a few weeks there have been two narrow escapes from fire from its use. Five of our buildings are already wired and supplied with electric fixtures. It would be necessary to buy the lamps only if the light were furnished by one of the established lighting companies. Should it be deemed wiser to have our own plant we should need to expend \$10,000 for engines and dynamos. I would much prefer buying the light to maintaining a plant on the premises.

I am pleased to be able to say that we have furnished sixty pictures for furnishing the wards. They were much needed. The wards have been further furnished by twelve large oak settles, well made after a special pattern. A fine Chickering piano was purchased and put in the chapel. This has been highly appreciated and is used for entertainments and at religious services. For more than a year we have had no religious services. Since November we have had services each Sunday, the Rev. Wm. H. Branigan acting as chaplain.

One of the most important improvements that I am able to report is in the matter of entertainments. Patients assemble in the chapel twice a month for amusement. During the past year there have been ten entertainments, eight of which have been given since September. Several have been furnished by friends whom I wish to thank here, namely :

The I. H. N. Club of the All Souls' Unitarian Church, for a very pleasing dramatic entertainment.

The East Boston Cadet Band, for an outdoor concert rendered by thirty young musicians. This was a novel treat and highly appreciated.

Mr. C. H. Williams and friends, including Mr. Edward Kelley, for a variety entertainment.

Eight students from Harvard College who amused us with songs and recitations.

A number of our attendants gave a two-act drama, "Down by the Sea," which was doubly appreciated.

I wish to extend thanks to the Hospital Newspaper Society for a very generous supply of reading matter.

Although the year has been a busy one for the medical staff, still some time has been given to scientific work. Our interne, Mr. Frank W. Harriman, made a careful study of a series of cases of tonsilitis in coöperation with workers in the bacteriological laboratory of the Harvard Medical School. The writer made a study of the statistics of insanity, which was published. Our facilities for advanced scientific work are almost *nil*. I wish to take this opportunity to ask for a good microscope and some works on psychiatry as a nucleus for a medical library. I consider it a necessary part of the equipment of a modern hospital, and I would like to see a small annual expenditure for a medical library.

I would also suggest that we establish a regular annual increase of salary of the assistant physician to a definite limit as is done in most hospitals. This would be of decided benefit to the institution.

An important change in the affairs of the institution is the appointment recently of an advisory board. This body consists of five representative medical men, residents of Boston. Their duties are simply advisory. They hold regular meetings at which the affairs of the institution are considered.

A consulting board of physicians, while common in connection with hospitals for the insane, is an innovation for this hospital. The fact that this is a local hospital and the members of the board live in this city, offers an unusual opportunity for efficient work.

It is expected that this advisory board will be of great advantage to the hospital in two ways: not only will it bring to the institution the benefits of the skill and experience of its members, it will also present the needs of the institution with peculiar weight to the medical profession and citizens generally. The board is constituted as follows:

Dr. Clarence J. Blake, Dr. Herbert L. Burrell, Dr. Vin-

cent Y. Bowditch, Dr. Morton Prince, and Dr. Henry R. Stedman.

On February 15 Dr. Arthur C. Jelly resigned the position of assistant physician, after a service of eighteen months, to enter private practice. His accurate and painstaking work will be long remembered. Dr. L. A. Roberts, who had been assistant physician at the South Boston Hospital two years, was appointed in his place.

Mr. Frank Whitman Harriman concluded his services as interne July 1. His unselfish devotion to the work here was most heartily appreciated, and his death this month at the City Hospital has caused profound sorrow throughout the institution.

Mr. James Arthur Mahan served as interne three months, and he resigned to continue his studies. Mr. Thomas E. Curley, after six years' faithful service as supervisor, resigned in June on account of his health. Mr. J. B. Davidson was appointed in his place.

Miss Agnes A. Doak, who had been supervisor for more than two years, left to take a similar position at the Pierce Farm. Miss A. J. Hennessey was appointed supervisor. Miss Hennessey has been taking a special course of lectures at the McLean Hospital, and will return to her work here in a few days.

Mr. Louis White, farmer, took a similar position at the Pierce Farm, and Mr. Gardner Files was appointed in his place here.

Mr. William E. Elton was appointed steward and apothecary. He has been able to relieve the medical officers of much of the business details which had hampered us so much formerly.

I wish to thank Father Cummins, of this parish, for the many and prompt attentions he has shown the sick and dying during the year.

It gives me pleasure to acknowledge the loyal and willing

service of the officers and employees of the hospital. Dr. Roberts is deserving especial credit for his conscientious, efficient work and his ingenuity.

To you, as commissioner, I am indebted for the confidence placed in me and for the courteous assistance so often rendered.

Very respectfully,

EDWARD B. LANE,  
*Superintendent.*

# 1. GENERAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

|                                                       | Males. | F'males. | Total. |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Patients in Hospital, December 31, 1894 .....         | 194    | 263      | 457    |
| Admitted within the year .....                        | 84     | 82       | 166    |
| Emergency .....                                       | 1      | 5        | 6      |
| Voluntary .....                                       | .....  | 1        | 1      |
| Committed .....                                       | 55     | 57       | 112    |
| Transferred .....                                     | 28     | 19       | 47     |
| Whole number of cases .....                           | 278    | 345      | 623    |
| Discharged within the year .....                      | 49     | 61       | 110    |
| Emergency and State cases transferred .....           | 3      | 4        | 7      |
| Recovered .....                                       | 8      | 13       | 21     |
| Much improved .....                                   | 10     | 10       | 20     |
| Improved .....                                        | 4      | 6        | 10     |
| Not improved .....                                    | 4      | 6        | 10     |
| Death .....                                           | 20     | 22       | 42     |
| Patients remaining in Hospital, December 31, 1895.... | 229    | 284      | 513    |
| Patients remaining at Pierce Farm .....               | 76     | 73       | 149    |
| Patients remaining at Austin Farm .....               | 153    | 211      | 364    |
| Supported as city patients .....                      |        |          |        |
| Supported as private patients .....                   |        |          |        |
| Number of different persons .....                     | 277    | 339      | 616    |
| Number of different persons admitted .....            | 84     | 81       | 165    |
| Number of different persons recovered .....           | 8      | 13       | 21     |
| Daily average .....                                   | 216.15 | 277.13   | 493.28 |
| <sup>1</sup> Percentage of recoveries .....           | 15.09  | 22.03    | 18.75  |

<sup>1</sup> Excluding cases transferred.

2. MONTHLY ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND AVERAGES.

| MONTHS.                | ADMISSIONS. |          |        | DISCHARGES. |          |        | DEATH. |          |        | DAILY AVERAGE OF PATIENTS<br>IN THE HOUSE. |          |        |
|------------------------|-------------|----------|--------|-------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------------------------------------------|----------|--------|
|                        | Males.      | Females. | Total. | Males.      | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males.                                     | Females. | Total. |
|                        |             |          |        |             |          |        |        |          |        |                                            |          |        |
| January .....          | 8           | 6        | 14     | 1           | 2        | 3      | 2      | 2        | 4      | 197.40                                     | 264.80   | 462.20 |
| February .....         | 1           | 3        | 4      | 1           | 1        | 2      | 1      | 5        | 6      | 198.25                                     | 262.75   | 461.00 |
| March .....            | 6           | 8        | 14     | 3           | 2        | 5      | 1      | 2        | 3      | 197.75                                     | 264.75   | 462.50 |
| April .....            | 4           | 4        | 8      | .....       | 2        | 2      | .....  | 1        | 1      | 201.00                                     | 266.50   | 467.50 |
| May .....              | 18          | 15       | 33     | 6           | 3        | 9      | 2      | .....    | 2      | 205.60                                     | 270.20   | 475.80 |
| June .....             | 8           | 5        | 13     | 2           | 2        | 4      | 1      | .....    | 1      | 214.50                                     | 281.75   | 496.25 |
| July .....             | 9           | 7        | 16     | 1           | 7        | 8      | 3      | 2        | 5      | 221.75                                     | 277.75   | 499.50 |
| August .....           | 15          | 11       | 26     | .....       | 4        | 4      | 1      | .....    | 1      | 232.00                                     | 284.20   | 516.20 |
| September .....        | 4           | 7        | 11     | 5           | 2        | 7      | 1      | 1        | 2      | 235.00                                     | 290.25   | 525.25 |
| October .....          | 2           | 4        | 6      | 5           | 5        | 10     | 3      | .....    | 3      | 231.60                                     | 289.60   | 521.20 |
| November .....         | 3           | 6        | 9      | 1           | 4        | 5      | 2      | 6        | 8      | 230.00                                     | 288.00   | 518.00 |
| December .....         | 6           | 6        | 12     | 4           | 5        | 9      | 3      | 3        | 6      | 228.50                                     | 285.00   | 513.50 |
| Total of cases .....   | 84          | 82       | 166    | 29          | 39       | 68     | 20     | 22       | 42     | .....                                      | .....    | .....  |
| Total of persons ..... | 84          | 81       | 165    | 29          | 38       | 67     | .....  | .....    | .....  | .....                                      | .....    | .....  |
| Daily average .....    | .....       | .....    | .....  | .....       | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  | 216.15                                     | 277.13   | 493.28 |

## 3. RECEIVED ON FIRST AND SUBSEQUENT ADMISSIONS.

| NUMBER OF THE ADMISSION. | CASES ADMITTED. |          |        | TIMES PREVIOUSLY RECOVERED. |          |        |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|-----------------------------|----------|--------|
|                          | Males.          | Females. | Total. | Males.                      | Females. | Total. |
| First .....              | 75              | 72       | 147    | .....                       | .....    | .....  |
| Second .....             | 6               | 7        | 13     | 4                           | 3        | 7      |
| Third .....              | 2               | 1        | 3      | 1                           | .....    | 1      |
| Fourth .....             | .....           | 1        | 1      | .....                       | 3        | 3      |
| Fifth .....              | 1               | 1        | 2      | 4                           | 4        | 8      |
| Total of cases .....     | 84              | 82       | 166    | 9                           | 10       | 19     |
| Total of persons .....   | 84              | 81       | 165    | 6                           | 5        | 11     |

## 4. RELATIONS TO HOSPITALS OF PERSONS ADMITTED.

| HOSPITAL RELATIONS.                              | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Never before in any hospital for insane .....    | 39     | 41       | 80     |
| Former inmates of this hospital only .....       | 6      | 9        | 15     |
| Former inmates of other hospitals only .....     | 36     | 30       | 66     |
| Former inmates of this and other hospitals ..... | 3      | 1        | 4      |
| Total of persons .....                           | 84     | 81       | 165    |

## 5. PARENTAGE OF PERSONS ADMITTED.

| PLACES.            | MALES.  |         | FEMALES. |         | TOTAL.  |         |
|--------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
|                    | Father. | Mother. | Father.  | Mother. | Father. | Mother. |
| Maine .....        | 2       | 2       | .....    | 3       | 2       | 5       |
| New Hampshire..... | 2       | 2       | 4        | 1       | 6       | 3       |
| Vermont.....       | 1       | .....   | .....    | .....   | 1       | .....   |
| Massachusetts..... | 9       | 11      | 13       | 13      | 22      | 24      |
| Rhode Island.....  | .....   | .....   | 1        | .....   | 1       | .....   |
| New York .....     | 1       | 2       | .....    | .....   | 1       | 2       |
| Canada .....       | 5       | 5       | 3        | 2       | 8       | 7       |
| England .....      | 2       | 1       | 1        | 1       | 3       | 2       |
| Ireland .....      | 51      | 52      | 41       | 44      | 92      | 96      |
| Scotland .....     | 1       | .....   | 3        | 2       | 4       | 2       |
| France .....       | .....   | .....   | 1        | 1       | 1       | 1       |
| Germany .....      | 2       | 1       | 5        | 5       | 7       | 6       |
| Italy .....        | .....   | .....   | 1        | 1       | 1       | 1       |
| Roumania.....      | 1       | 1       | .....    | .....   | 1       | 1       |
| Unknown .....      | 7       | 7       | 8        | 8       | 15      | 15      |
| Total.....         | 84      | 84      | 81       | 81      | 165     | 165     |

## 6. RESIDENCE OF PERSONS ADMITTED.

| PLACES.               | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Suffolk County .....  | 84     | 78       | 162    |
| Plymouth County ..... |        | 1        | 1      |
| New Hampshire .....   |        | 1        | 1      |
| Unknown .....         |        | 1        | 1      |
| Total .....           | 84     | 81       | 165    |

## 7. CIVIL CONDITION OF PERSONS ADMITTED.

| No. OF THE<br>ADMISSION. | UNMARRIED. |          |        | MARRIED. |          |        | WIDOWED. |          |        | DIVORCED. |          |        | TOTAL. |          |        |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|-----------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
|                          | Males.     | Females. | Total. | Males.   | Females. | Total. | Males.   | Females. | Total. | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| First .....              | 41         | 23       | 64     | 29       | 31       | 60     | 5        | 16       | 21     | ...       | 1        | 1      | 75     | 71       | 146    |
| Second .....             | 4          | 3        | 7      | 2        | 3        | 5      | ...      | 1        | 1      | ...       | ...      | ...    | 6      | 7        | 13     |
| Third .....              | ...        | 1        | 1      | 2        | ...      | 2      | ...      | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | 2      | 1        | 3      |
| Fourth .....             | ...        | 1        | 1      | ...      | ...      | ...    | ...      | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...    | 1        | 1      |
| Fifth .....              | ...        | ...      | ...    | 1        | 1        | 2      | ...      | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | 1      | 1        | 2      |
| Total.....               | 45         | 28       | 73     | 34       | 35       | 69     | 5        | 17       | 22     | ...       | 1        | 1      | 84     | 81       | 165    |

## 8. OCCUPATION OF PERSONS ADMITTED.

| MALES.              |    | MALES.                 |    |
|---------------------|----|------------------------|----|
| Blacksmiths .....   | 2  | Motorman .....         | 1  |
| Book agent.....     | 1  | Musicians .....        | 3  |
| Bookbinder.....     | 1  | Painters.....          | 4  |
| Bookkeepers .....   | 2  | Piano-makers .....     | 4  |
| Box-maker .....     | 1  | Police officer .....   | 1  |
| Brakeman .....      | 1  | Printers .....         | 2  |
| Brass finisher..... | 1  | Real estate agent..... | 1  |
| Carpenters .....    | 3  | Rope maker .....       | 1  |
| Clerks .....        | 3  | Seamen .....           | 2  |
| Cook.....           | 1  | Sexton .....           | 1  |
| Cooper .....        | 1  | Ship-calker.....       | 1  |
| Druggist .....      | 1  | Shipper .....          | 1  |
| Fireman.....        | 1  | Student .....          | 1  |
| Fruit dealer .....  | 1  | Tailor.....            | 1  |
| Gardeners.....      | 2  | Tanner.....            | 1  |
| Gas-fitter.....     | 1  | Teamsters .....        | 4  |
| Hack drivers .....  | 2  | Watchmakers.....       | 2  |
| Hostlers.....       | 2  | Watchmen .....         | 2  |
| Jeweller .....      | 1  | None .....             | 6  |
| Laborers .....      | 14 |                        |    |
| Machinists .....    | 3  | Total .....            | 84 |

| FEMALES.            |    | FEMALES.          |    |
|---------------------|----|-------------------|----|
| Book-folder.....    | 1  | Laundress .....   | 1  |
| Bookkeeper .....    | 1  | Milliner .....    | 1  |
| Cook.....           | 1  | Store-keeper..... | 1  |
| Domestics .....     | 10 | Seamstress .....  | 2  |
| Dressmaker .....    | 1  | None .....        | 30 |
| House-keepers ..... | 4  |                   |    |
| Housewives .....    | 28 | Total .....       | 81 |

## 9. PROBABLE CAUSES OF DISEASES IN PERSONS ADMITTED.

| CAUSES.                     | PATIENTS ADMITTED. |         |        | PREVIOUS ATTACKS. |          |        | HEREDITARY PRE-DISPOSITION. |          |        |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|----------|--------|-----------------------------|----------|--------|
|                             | Males.             | Females | Total. | Males.            | Females. | Total. | Males.                      | Females. | Total. |
| 1. PHYSICAL.                |                    |         |        |                   |          |        |                             |          |        |
| Apoplexy .....              | 3                  | ....    | 3      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Confinement in prison ..... | 1                  | ....    | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Epilepsy .....              | 3                  | ....    | 3      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Hereditary .....            | 3                  | 3       | 6      | ....              | ....     | ....   | 3                           | 3        | 6      |
| Injury to head .....        | 4                  | 1       | 5      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | 1        | 1      |
| Injury to spine .....       | 1                  | ....    | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Ill health.....             | 5                  | 9       | 14     | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Intemperance.....           | 9                  | 2       | 11     | 2                 | ....     | 2      | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Malarial fever .....        | 1                  | ....    | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Masturbation .....          | 4                  | ....    | 4      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Menopause .....             | ....               | 2       | 2      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Nervous exhaustion .....    | ....               | 2       | 2      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Overwork .....              | 3                  | 3       | 6      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Pregnancy.....              | ....               | 1       | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Puerperal .....             | ....               | 7       | 7      | ....              | 1        | 1      | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Senility .....              | 5                  | 8       | 13     | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Sunstroke .....             | 2                  | 1       | 3      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Surgical operation .....    | 1                  | 1       | 2      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Syphilis .....              | 1                  | 2       | 3      | ....              | ....     | ....   | 1                           | ....     | 1      |
| Typhoid fever .....         | 1                  | ....    | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| 2. MENTAL.                  |                    |         |        |                   |          |        |                             |          |        |
| Business trouble .....      | 3                  | 1       | 4      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Disappointment .....        | ....               | 1       | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Domestic trouble.....       | 2                  | 3       | 5      | ....              | 1        | 1      | 1                           | ....     | 1      |
| Fright .....                | ....               | 1       | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Overstudy .....             | 1                  | ....    | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Religious excitement .....  | 1                  | 1       | 2      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Worry .....                 | ....               | 1       | 1      | ....              | ....     | ....   | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Unknown .....               | 30                 | 31      | 61     | 4                 | 3        | 7      | ....                        | ....     | ....   |
| Total .....                 | 84                 | 81      | 165    | 6                 | 5        | 11     | 5                           | 4        | 9      |

## 10. RECORD OF CASES ADMITTED WITHIN THE YEAR.

| PATIENTS.                                   | Males. | Females | Total. |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| Admitted .....                              | 84     | 82      | 166    |
| Discharged, recovered .....                 | 4      | 3       | 7      |
| "    much improved.....                     | 4      | 5       | 9      |
| "    improved .....                         | 2      | 4       | 6      |
| "    not improved.....                      | 3      | 2       | 5      |
| Emergency and State cases transferred ..... | 3      | 4       | 7      |
| Died .....                                  | 9      | 8       | 17     |
| Remaining December 31, 1895 .....           | 59     | 56      | 115    |
| Number likely to recover.....               | 5      | 6       | 11     |
| "    "    " improve .....                   | 5      | 2       | 7      |

11. AGES OF INSANE AT FIRST ATTACK, ADMISSION AND DEATH.

| AGES.                    | PERSONS FIRST ADMITTED TO ANY HOSPITAL. |          |                | PERSONS DIED.    |          |                   |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------|----------|-------------------|
|                          | At First Attack.                        |          | When Admitted. | At First Attack. |          | At time of Death. |
|                          | Males.                                  | Females. | Total.         | Males.           | Females. | Total.            |
| Congenital.....          | .....                                   | .....    | .....          | .....            | .....    | .....             |
| 15 years and less .....  | 4                                       | .....    | 4              | .....            | 1        | .....             |
| From 15 to 20 years..... | 8                                       | 4        | 12             | .....            | 1        | .....             |
| “ 20 to 25 “ .....       | 8                                       | 7        | 15             | 4                | 3        | 7                 |
| “ 25 to 30 “ .....       | 11                                      | 6        | 17             | 4                | 3        | 7                 |
| “ 30 to 35 “ .....       | 11                                      | 14       | 25             | 10               | 6        | 16                |
| “ 35 to 40 “ .....       | 12                                      | 12       | 24             | 15               | 8        | 23                |
| “ 40 to 50 “ .....       | 13                                      | 14       | 27             | 11               | 12       | 23                |
| “ 50 to 60 “ .....       | 7                                       | 7        | 14             | 15               | 14       | 29                |
| “ 60 to 70 “ .....       | 5                                       | 11       | 16             | 12               | 15       | 27                |
| “ 70 to 80 “ .....       | 4                                       | 6        | 10             | 6                | 10       | 16                |
| Over 80 years .....      | 1                                       | .....    | 1              | 5                | 8        | 13                |
| Unknown .....            | .....                                   | .....    | .....          | 2                | 2        | 4                 |
| Not insane.....          | .....                                   | .....    | .....          | .....            | .....    | .....             |
| Total of persons .....   | 84                                      | 81       | 165            | 84               | 81       | 165               |
| Mean ages.....           | 37.20                                   | 42.70    | 39.90          | 41.99            | 46.62    | 44.26             |
|                          |                                         |          |                | 20               | 22       | 42                |
|                          |                                         |          |                | 48.20            | 50.27    | 49.29             |
|                          |                                         |          |                | 53.55            | 56.05    | 54.86             |

## 12. REPORTED DURATION OF DISEASE BEFORE LAST ADMISSION.

| PREVIOUS DURATION.    | FIRST ADMIS-<br>SION TO ANY<br>HOSPITAL. |          |        | ALL OTHER<br>ADMISSIONS. |          |        | TOTAL. |          |        |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
|                       | Males.                                   | Females. | Total. | Males.                   | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. |
| Congenital .....      | .....                                    | .....    | .....  | .....                    | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  |
| Under 1 month .....   | 10                                       | 10       | 20     | .....                    | 3        | 3      | 10     | 13       | 23     |
| From 1 to 3 months..  | 7                                        | 7        | 14     | 1                        | 2        | 3      | 8      | 9        | 17     |
| “ 3 “ 6 “ ..          | 4                                        | 5        | 9      | 2                        | .....    | 2      | 6      | 5        | 11     |
| “ 6 “ 12 “ ..         | 4                                        | 5        | 9      | 4                        | 3        | 7      | 8      | 8        | 16     |
| “ 1 “ 2 years....     | 5                                        | 1        | 6      | 2                        | 4        | 6      | 7      | 5        | 12     |
| “ 2 “ 5 “ ....        | 6                                        | 8        | 14     | 14                       | 11       | 25     | 20     | 19       | 39     |
| “ 5 “ 10 “ ....       | 2                                        | 5        | 7      | 11                       | 6        | 17     | 13     | 11       | 24     |
| “ 10 “ 20 “ ....      | .....                                    | 1        | 1      | 8                        | 10       | 18     | 8      | 11       | 19     |
| Over 20 years. ....   | 1                                        | .....    | 1      | 3                        | 1        | 4      | 4      | 1        | 5      |
| Unknown .....         | .....                                    | .....    | .....  | .....                    | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  |
| Not insane .....      | .....                                    | .....    | .....  | .....                    | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  |
| Total of cases .....  | 39                                       | 42       | 81     | 45                       | 40       | 85     | 84     | 82       | 166    |
| Total of persons..... | 39                                       | 42       | 81     | 45                       | 40       | 85     | 84     | 81       | 165    |
| Average in years..... | 1.57                                     | 1.73     | 1.65   | 6.98                     | 5.82     | 6.44   | 4.47   | 3.72     | 4.10   |

13. FORM OF MENTAL DISEASE IN CASES ADMITTED OR DISCHARGED, WITH CONDITION ON DISCHARGE.

| FORM OF DISEASE.         | CASES ADMITTED. |          |        | CASES DISCHARGED. |          |        |                |          |        |           |          |        |               |          |        | Aggregate. |          |        |                                       |          |        |        |          |        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|--------|-------------------|----------|--------|----------------|----------|--------|-----------|----------|--------|---------------|----------|--------|------------|----------|--------|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|                          | Males.          | Females. | Total. | Recovered.        |          |        | Much Improved. |          |        | Improved. |          |        | Not Improved. |          |        |            |          |        | Emergency and State Cases Transferred |          |        | Died.  |          |        |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|                          |                 |          |        | Males.            | Females. | Total. | Males.         | Females. | Total. | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Males.        | Females. | Total. | Males.     | Females. | Total. | Males.                                | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Mania, acute .....       | 4               | 5        | 9      | 1                 | 3        | 4      | ...            | 1        | 1      | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | 1          | 3        | 4      | 1                                     | 1        | 2      | 3      | 8        | 11     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |     |
| “ chronic .....          | ...             | ...      | ...    | ...               | ...      | ...    | ...            | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | 1        | 1      | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | ...      | ...    | ...    | ...      | 1      | 1   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| “ recurrent.....         | ...             | ...      | ...    | ...               | ...      | ...    | ...            | 1        | 1      | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | ...      | ...    | ...    | ...      | 1      | 1   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Melancholia, acute ..... | 10              | 14       | 24     | 2                 | 5        | 7      | ...            | 3        | 3      | ...       | 3        | 3      | ...           | 1        | 1      | ...        | ...      | ...    | 2                                     | 2        | 4      | 4      | 14       | 18     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |     |
| “ chronic .....          | ...             | 2        | 2      | 1                 | ...      | 1      | ...            | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | ...      | ...    | 1      | ...      | 1      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| “ recurrent .....        | 1               | ...      | 1      | ...               | ...      | ...    | ...            | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | ...      | ...    | ...    | ...      | ...    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Dementia, primary .....  | ...             | 2        | 2      | ...               | ...      | ...    | ...            | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | ...      | ...    | ...    | ...      | ...    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| “ post-paralytic .....   | 2               | ...      | 2      | ...               | ...      | ...    | ...            | ...      | ...    | ...       | ...      | ...    | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | 1                                     | ...      | 1      | 1      | ...      | 1      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| “ secondary .....        | 1               | 13       | 31     | ...               | ...      | ...    | 2              | ...      | 2      | ...       | ...      | ...    | 2             | ...      | 2      | ...        | ...      | ...    | ...                                   | 1        | 2      | 3      | 5        | 2      | 7   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| “ senile .....           | 38              | 5        | 8      | ...               | ...      | ...    | 1              | ...      | 1      | 1         | ...      | 1      | ...           | ...      | ...    | ...        | ...      | ...    | 1                                     | 1        | 2      | 3      | 1        | 4      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

|                              |                |    |    |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------------|----------------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| "                            | traumatic..... | 1  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Alcoholic insanity.....      |                | 8  | 1  | 9   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Epileptic " .....            |                | 3  | 1  | 4   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Hysterical " .....           |                | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Phthisical " .....           |                | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Post-paralytic insanity..... |                | 2  | 2  | 4   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Puerperal " .....            |                | .. | 5  | 5   | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Senile " .....               |                | 5  | 13 | 18  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Epilepsy .....               |                | 2  | .. | 2   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Folie circulaire .....       |                | 1  | 1  | 2   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| General paralysis.....       |                | 7  | 1  | 8   | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Hebephrenia .....            |                | 8  | 8  | 16  | 4  | 2  | 6  | .. | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Imbecility .....             |                | .. | .. | ..  | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Paranoia .....               |                | 9  | 9  | 18  | .. | .. | .. | .. | 6  | 2  | 8  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Total of cases.....          |                | 84 | 82 | 166 | 8  | 13 | 21 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 4  | 6  | 10 | 4  | 6  | 10 | 3  | 4  | 7  | 20 |
| Total of persons.....        |                | 84 | 81 | 165 | 8  | 12 | 20 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 4  | 6  | 10 | 4  | 6  | 10 | 3  | 4  | 7  | 20 |

14. DISCHARGES CLASSIFIED BY ADMISSION AND RESULT.

| NUMBER OF THE<br>ADMISSION. | RECOVERED. |          |        | MUCH<br>IMPROVED. |          |        | IMPROVED. |          |        | NOT<br>IMPROVED. |          |        | EMERGENCY<br>AND STATE<br>CASES<br>TRANSFERRED. |          |        | DIED.  |          |        | TOTAL. |          |        |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------|--------|-------------------|----------|--------|-----------|----------|--------|------------------|----------|--------|-------------------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|
|                             | Males.     | Females. | Total. | Males.            | Females. | Total. | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Males.           | Females. | Total. | Males.                                          | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|                             |            |          |        |                   |          |        |           |          |        |                  |          |        |                                                 |          |        |        |          |        |        |          |        |
| First .....                 | 7          | 11       | 18     | 4                 | 8        | 12     | 4         | 5        | 9      | 3                | 3        | 6      | 3                                               | 4        | 7      | 17     | 21       | 38     | 38     | 52       | 90     |
| Second .....                | 1          | 1        | 2      | 5                 | 1        | 6      | .....     | .....    | .....  | .....            | 3        | 3      | .....                                           | .....    | .....  | 3      | 1        | 4      | 9      | 6        | 15     |
| Third .....                 | .....      | 1        | 1      | 1                 | 1        | 2      | .....     | .....    | .....  | 1                | .....    | 1      | .....                                           | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  | 2      | 2        | 4      |
| Fourth .....                | .....      | .....    | .....  | .....             | .....    | .....  | .....     | 1        | 1      | .....            | .....    | .....  | .....                                           | .....    | .....  | .....  | .....    | .....  | .....  | 1        | 1      |
| Total of cases .....        | 8          | 13       | 21     | 10                | 10       | 20     | 4         | 6        | 10     | 4                | 6        | 10     | 3                                               | 4        | 7      | 20     | 22       | 42     | 49     | 61       | 110    |
| Total of persons .....      | 8          | 13       | 21     | 10                | 10       | 20     | 4         | 6        | 10     | 4                | 6        | 10     | 3                                               | 4        | 7      | 20     | 22       | 42     | 49     | 60       | 109    |

## 15. CAUSES OF DEATH.

| CAUSES.                           | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| <i>Nervous system :</i>           |        |          |        |
| Exhaustion from acute mania ..... |        | 2        | 2      |
| “ “ senile dementia .....         |        | 2        | 2      |
| “ “ “ insanity.....               | 2      | 4        | 6      |
| General paralysis.....            | 6      | 1        | 7      |
| Post-paralytic insanity .....     | 3      | .....    | 3      |
| <i>Respiratory system :</i>       |        |          |        |
| Broncho-pneumonia.....            |        | 1        | 1      |
| Chronic bronchitis .....          | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| Phthisis pulmonalis .....         | 2      | 6        | 8      |
| <i>Circulatory system :</i>       |        |          |        |
| Cerebral hemorrhage.....          | 1      | 2        | 3      |
| Organic heart disease .....       | 1      | 1        | 2      |
| <i>Digestive system :</i>         |        |          |        |
| Dysentery .....                   | 1      | 1        | 2      |
| Exhaustion from diarrhœa .....    | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| Intestinal strangulation.....     | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| <i>General :</i>                  |        |          |        |
| Bright's disease.....             | 1      | 1        | 2      |
| Old age.....                      | .....  | 1        | 1      |
| Total .....                       | 20     | 22       | 42     |

16. RECOVERIES CLASSIFIED BY DURATION OF DISEASE AND OF TREATMENT.

| PERIOD.                                     | LAST ATTACK.               |         |        |                     |         |        | ALL ATTACKS.                    |         |        |                                       |         |        |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------|
|                                             | Duration before Admission. |         |        | Hospital Residence. |         |        | Whole Duration from the Attack. |         |        | Whole known Period of Mental Disease. |         |        |
|                                             | Male.                      | Female. | Total. | Male.               | Female. | Total. | Male.                           | Female. | Total. | Male.                                 | Female. | Total. |
| Congenital .....                            | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Under 1 month .....                         | 2                          | 7       | 9      | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| From 1 to 3 months ..                       | 3                          | 1       | 4      | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| “ 3 to 6 “ ..                               | .....                      | 3       | 3      | 4                   | 2       | 6      | 1                               | 2       | 3      | 3                                     | 2       | 5      |
| “ 6 to 12 “ ..                              | .....                      | 1       | 1      | 3                   | 8       | 11     | 4                               | 7       | 9      | 4                                     | 7       | 11     |
| “ 1 to 2 years.....                         | 2                          | .....   | 2      | .....               | 2       | 2      | 1                               | 2       | 4      | .....                                 | 2       | 2      |
| “ 2 to 5 “ ..                               | 1                          | 1       | 2      | .....               | 1       | 2      | 2                               | 2       | 4      | 1                                     | 1       | 2      |
| “ 5 to 10 “ ..                              | .....                      | .....   | .....  | 1                   | 1       | 2      | 2                               | 1       | 1      | .....                                 | 1       | 1      |
| “ 10 to 20 “ ..                             | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Over 20 years .....                         | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Unknown .....                               | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Toal.....                                   | 8                          | 13      | 21     | 8                   | 13      | 21     | 8                               | 13      | 21     | 8                                     | 13      | 21     |
| Average of known cases<br>(in months) ..... | 8.14                       | 5.34    | 6.41   | 10.48               | 9.79    | 10.05  | 18.62                           | 15.13   | 16.46  | 20.01                                 | 21.65   | 21.02  |
|                                             |                            |         |        |                     |         |        |                                 |         |        | 10.99                                 | 15.33   | 13.68  |

17. DEATHS CLASSIFIED BY DURATION OF DISEASE AND OF TREATMENT.

| PERIOD.                                  | LAST ATTACK.               |         |        |                     |         |        | ALL ATTACKS.                    |         |        |                                       |         |        |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|---------|--------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------|
|                                          | Duration before Admission. |         |        | Hospital Residence. |         |        | Whole Duration from the Attack. |         |        | Whole known Period of Mental Disease. |         |        |
|                                          | Male.                      | Female. | Total. | Male.               | Female. | Total. | Male.                           | Female. | Total. | Male.                                 | Female. | Total. |
|                                          |                            |         |        |                     |         |        |                                 |         |        |                                       |         |        |
| Congenital .....                         | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | .....   | .....  | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Under 1 month .....                      | 2                          | 5       | 7      | 3                   | 4       | 7      | 1                               | 2       | 3      | 1                                     | 2       | 3      |
| From 1 to 3 months.                      | 2                          | 2       | 4      | 2                   | 2       | 4      | .....                           | 1       | 1      | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| “ 3 “ 6 “                                | 6                          | 3       | 9      | 4                   | 3       | 7      | .....                           | .....   | .....  | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| “ 6 “ 12 “                               | 3                          | 1       | 4      | 1                   | 1       | 2      | 2                               | 2       | 4      | 2                                     | 2       | 4      |
| “ 1 “ 2 years                            | 2                          | 2       | 4      | 3                   | 5       | 8      | 2                               | 2       | 4      | 3                                     | 3       | 7      |
| “ 2 “ 5 “                                | 4                          | 5       | 9      | 5                   | 1       | 6      | 3                               | 2       | 5      | 1                                     | 5       | 6      |
| “ 5 “ 10 “                               | .....                      | 2       | 2      | .....               | 3       | 3      | 10                              | 6       | 16     | 5                                     | 1       | 6      |
| “ 10 “ 20 “                              | .....                      | 1       | 1      | .....               | 1       | 2      | .....                           | 2       | 2      | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Over 20 years.....                       | 1                          | 1       | 2      | 1                   | .....   | 2      | .....                           | 2       | 2      | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Unknown .....                            | .....                      | .....   | .....  | .....               | 2       | 2      | .....                           | 1       | 2      | .....                                 | .....   | .....  |
| Total .....                              | 20                         | 22      | 42     | 20                  | 22      | 42     | 20                              | 22      | 42     | 20                                    | 22      | 42     |
| Average of known cases (in months) ..... | 21.49                      | 36.41   | 29.31  | 41.53               | 30.75   | 36.14  | 62.78                           | 56.41   | 59.64  | 41.81                                 | 31.05   | 36.43  |





19. RELAPSED CASES ADMITTED IN EACH YEAR AND DIS-  
CHARGED IN 1895.

| YEARS<br>ENDING<br>APRIL 30. | CASES PREVIOUSLY RECOVERED IN THIS HOSPITAL. |     |     |                              |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |       |    |    |    |    |                                  |  |  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------------------------------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|-------|----|----|----|----|----------------------------------|--|--|
|                              | ADMITTED.                                    |     |     | DISCHARGED AND DIED IN 1895. |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |       |    |    |    |    | Remain-<br>ing Dec.<br>31, 1895. |  |  |
|                              |                                              |     |     | Recov'd.                     |    |    | M'ch imp |    |    | Improv'd |    |    | Not imp. |    |    | Transf'd |    |    | Died. |    |    |    |    |                                  |  |  |
|                              | M.                                           | F.  | T.  | M.                           | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.    | F. | T. | M. | F. | T.                               |  |  |
| 1840.....                    | ...                                          | ... | ... | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1841.....                    | ...                                          | ... | ... | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1842.....                    | 1                                            | 1   | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1843.....                    | ...                                          | 1   | 1   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1844.....                    | ...                                          | 4   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1845.....                    | 1                                            | ... | 1   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1846.....                    | 2                                            | ... | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1847.....                    | 2                                            | ... | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1848.....                    | 2                                            | 1   | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1849.....                    | 1                                            | 2   | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1850.....                    | 1                                            | 3   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1851.....                    | 2                                            | 1   | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1852.....                    | 1                                            | 2   | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1853.....                    | 2                                            | 2   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1854.....                    | 3                                            | 3   | 6   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1855.....                    | 2                                            | 3   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1856.....                    | 5                                            | ... | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1857.....                    | 1                                            | ... | 1   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1858.....                    | 1                                            | ... | 1   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1859.....                    | 3                                            | 3   | 6   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1860.....                    | 8                                            | 5   | 13  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1861.....                    | 9                                            | 8   | 17  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1862.....                    | 12                                           | 4   | 16  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1863.....                    | 7                                            | 3   | 10  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1864.....                    | 5                                            | 2   | 7   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1865.....                    | 4                                            | 1   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1866.....                    | 7                                            | 2   | 9   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1867.....                    | 6                                            | 2   | 8   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1868.....                    | 3                                            | 4   | 7   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1869.....                    | 4                                            | .   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 1  | .. | 1  | ..                               |  |  |
| 1870.....                    | 5                                            | 2   | 7   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1871.....                    | 1                                            | 3   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1872.....                    | 4                                            | 3   | 7   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1873.....                    | ...                                          | 1   | 1   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1874.....                    | ...                                          | 2   | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1875.....                    | 3                                            | ..  | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1876.....                    | 5                                            | 4   | 9   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1877.....                    | ...                                          | ... | ... | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1878.....                    | 1                                            | 1   | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| 1879.....                    | 3                                            | 2   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | .. | .. | ..                               |  |  |
| Carried<br>forw'd.           | 117                                          | 75  | 192 | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 1  | .. | 1  | ..                               |  |  |

RELAPSED CASES, ETC. — *Concluded.*

| YEARS<br>ENDING<br>APRIL 30. | CASES PREVIOUSLY RECOVERED IN THIS HOSPITAL. |     |     |                              |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |       |    |    |                                  |    |    |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-----|-----|------------------------------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|-------|----|----|----------------------------------|----|----|
|                              | ADMITTED.                                    |     |     | DISCHARGED AND DIED IN 1895. |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |          |    |    |       |    |    | Remain-<br>ing Dec.<br>31, 1895. |    |    |
|                              |                                              |     |     | Recov'd.                     |    |    | M'ch imp |    |    | Improv'd |    |    | Not imp. |    |    | Transf'd |    |    | Died. |    |    |                                  |    |    |
|                              | M.                                           | F.  | T.  | M.                           | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.       | F. | T. | M.    | F. | T. | M.                               | F. | T. |
| <i>Brought<br/>forward</i>   | 117                                          | 75  | 192 | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 1  | ..                               | 1  |    |
| 1880....                     | 1                                            | 1   | 2   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1881....                     | 1                                            | 3   | 4   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1882....                     | 5                                            | 4   | 9   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | 1  | .. | 1                                |    |    |
| 1883....                     | 4                                            | 5   | 9   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1884....                     | 5                                            | 6   | 11  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1885. . .                    | ..                                           | 3   | 3   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1885 <sup>1</sup> ..         | 2                                            | 3   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1886 <sup>2</sup> ..         | 4                                            | 1   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | .. | ..                               | .. |    |
| 1887....                     | 4                                            | 6   | 10  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 1  | 1                                |    |    |
| 1888....                     | 5                                            | 6   | 11  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | 1  | 1  | 2                                |    |    |
| 1889....                     | 11                                           | 5   | 16  | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | 2  | 3  | 5                                |    |    |
| 1890....                     | 2                                            | 5   | 7   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 1  | 1                                |    |    |
| 1891....                     | 3                                            | 6   | 9   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | 1  | .. | 1                                |    |    |
| 1892....                     | 2                                            | 3   | 5   | ..                           | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 2  | 2                                |    |    |
| 1893...                      | 3                                            | 9   | 12  | ..                           | 1  | 1  | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | 1        | 1  | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 5  | 5                                |    |    |
| 1894....                     | 2                                            | 7   | 9   | ..                           | 1  | 1  | 1        | 1  | 2  | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 5  | 5                                |    |    |
| 1895....                     | 5                                            | 4   | 9   | 1                            | .. | 1  | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | 1  | 1  | ..       | .. | .. | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | 4  | 3  | 7                                |    |    |
| Total.                       | 176                                          | 152 | 328 | 1                            | 2  | 3  | 1        | 1  | 2  | ..       | 1  | 1  | ..       | 1  | 1  | ..       | .. | .. | ..    | .. | 10 | 21                               | 31 |    |

<sup>1</sup> Eight months, ending December 31, 1885.

<sup>2</sup> This and following years end December 31.

## FARM PRODUCTS AT AUSTIN AND PIERCE FARMS.

|                                                    |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Apples . . . . .                                   | 10 bushels.     |
| Beans, Lima . . . . .                              | 18 “            |
| Beans, shell . . . . .                             | 71 “            |
| Beans, string . . . . .                            | 62 “            |
| Beet greens . . . . .                              | 96 “            |
| Beets, table . . . . .                             | 244 “           |
| Beets, mangel-wurzel . . . . .                     | 937 “           |
| Cabbages . . . . .                                 | 6,460 heads.    |
| Cauliflowers . . . . .                             | 260 “           |
| Carrots . . . . .                                  | 78 bushels.     |
| Celery . . . . .                                   | 1,600 heads.    |
| Cherries . . . . .                                 | 2 bushels.      |
| Corn, green . . . . .                              | 400 baskets.    |
| Cucumbers . . . . .                                | 1,965           |
| Green fodder and ensilage . . . . .                | 280 tons.       |
| Hay, Austin Farm . . . . .                         | 17 “            |
| Hay, Pierce Farm . . . . .                         | 31 “            |
| Hay, Pierce Farm meadow . . . . .                  | 7 “             |
| Hay, bought standing . . . . .                     | 5 “             |
| Hay, oats . . . . .                                | 18 “            |
| Ice cut for Austin Farm . . . . .                  | 265 “           |
| Ice cut for South Boston and Pierce Farm . . . . . | 95 “            |
| Lettuce . . . . .                                  | 3,200 heads.    |
| Melons, musk . . . . .                             | 1,180           |
| Milk . . . . .                                     | 118,953 quarts. |
| Onions . . . . .                                   | 270 bushels.    |
| Parsnips . . . . .                                 | 154 “           |
| Pears . . . . .                                    | 30 “            |
| Peas . . . . .                                     | 78 “            |
| Pork, dressed . . . . .                            | 25,205 pounds.  |
| Pumpkins . . . . .                                 | 5 tons.         |
| Radishes . . . . .                                 | 450 bushels.    |
| Rhubarb . . . . .                                  | 1,500 pounds.   |

|                   |   |   |   |   |   |               |
|-------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---------------|
| Small fruits      | . | . | . | . | . | 574 boxes.    |
| Spinach           | . | . | . | . | . | 75 bushels.   |
| Squash, summer    | . | . | . | . | . | 1,100 pounds. |
| Squash, winter    | . | . | . | . | . | 10 tons.      |
| Tomatoes          | . | . | . | . | . | 130 bushels.  |
| Tomatoes, green   | . | . | . | . | . | 15 “          |
| Turnips           | . | . | . | . | . | 493 “         |
| Turnips, rutabaga | . | . | . | . | . | 170 “         |

## BOSTON ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL.

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LONG ISLAND, BOSTON HARBOR, February 1, 1896.

DR. A. B. HEATH, *Institutions Commissioner*:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit the annual report of this institution for the year ending January 31, 1896:

The table of admissions, discharges, etc., includes those of the women who were formerly at the Home for Paupers, Rainsford Island, as they were transferred to this institution last February. Comparative statistics are sometimes instructive, I have appended a table, showing, by years, the total admissions, average number of inmates, and number remaining at date of annual report at the pauper institutions at Long and Rainsford Islands for the past eight years, and the number of first admissions since 1890. A careful study of these shows some remarkable facts concerning the past year; whereas the previous seven years shows a gradual increase in the number of admissions, this year shows a falling off of 450 from last year, 334 men and 116 women. The average number for the past seven years never went below 728; the average for those years is 789; this year it drops to 693. The number of inmates remaining at date of annual report averages for the seven years, 921; this year we have but 815. The daily average of men at this institution during the seven months ending January 31, 1895, was 405; that for the seven months ending January 31, 1896, was 341, a drop of about 20 per cent. What have been the reasons for these unusual losses? I am not prepared to say. Let us hope that they are permanent.

Of the 1,696 total admissions 352 were for the first time.

Of the 980 men admitted 566 or 58 per cent. have been, by their own admission, inmates of penal institutions, and that, too, recently.

In my previous reports I have taken the occasion to deplore the lack of means to enforce discipline at this institution, and to express the hope that some measure would be passed, at no distant day, which would enable us to more easily control our turbulent element. We can now accomplish that much desired result, for on July 1st a law went into effect which allows us to make rules for the government of this institution and to enforce them by punishing infractions thereof to the extent of restraint of liberty and diet. To aid us in restraining the liberty of the inmates we have constructed five cells, three of them for men, two for women. The former are of brick 8 feet by 6 feet by 7 feet 8 inches, light and air being admitted through an iron barred door 6 feet by 2 feet; the latter are of wood, 8 feet by 7 feet by 7 feet 6 inches, with solid doors, light and air in these coming from the top, which is made from iron gratings. There is an iron bedstead in each. The diet has been restricted simply in variety. Under this law in seven months we have made twenty-six punishments, twelve of men, fourteen women. The length of confinement has varied from eight hours to three days. Two were locked up in July, 9 in August, 4 in September, 6 in November, 5 in December, none since December 22d. Of these, 1 was locked for stealing, 4 for mutual assault, 1 for destroying institution property and assault on a matron, 6 for refusing to work and using indecent language, 7 for creating a disturbance, using profane, obscene, and threatening language to employees, 3 for assault on employees, and 4 for refusing to work. These were all aggravated cases and in nearly every instance were inmates who had been repeatedly reprimanded in every case. So far, the result has proved satisfactory. The mere presence of the cells has had a salutary effect upon the conduct of certain in-

mates, heretofore unruly, and discipline is comparatively easy to maintain. The past year has seen a remarkable change in that respect at this institution. The inmates as a whole are very well behaved, quiet, and cheerful, willing to work at all times, — at least, they do not object, — and most of them seem to appreciate the fact that we are trying to work for their benefit. Of course, as is to be expected, we have some to whom the foregoing will not apply, who are surly and dissatisfied — always were and always will be. Apropos of these grumblers I have in mind several persons, still with us, who are continually fault-finding, and yet two or three times when it has been suggested that they were to be removed to some other institution they have begged me, literally, with tears in their eyes, not to allow them to be sent away from here.

Since I have been connected with this institution I have spent some time in visiting other institutions to study the various means used at them to keep their inmates employed, and have devoted much thought as to how we could apply any of the trades I saw in use to the benefit of our own institution and its inmates; but in no place have I seen anything that would exactly suit our case. I want to say here, and I know the statement cannot be successfully contradicted, that there is not in any of our Eastern States, and I doubt in this whole United States, an institution which corresponds in its size and material surroundings and the character of inmates with our own.

The problem as to the employment of our women is easy of solution, as we have not enough able-bodied women to do the "domestic work" of the hospital and dormitory, and work which properly belongs to women now has to be done by men. For the women who are able to sew and yet not strong enough for housework, we have a sewing-room in which we manufacture all the women's clothing and do a great deal of repairing on the men's clothes. This sewing-

room was opened during the past year, early in the spring. Quite a number of the older and more infirm women are kept employed knitting stockings. They do not accomplish much, but it serves to occupy their time. What to do with the men is the question. The trouble is not in finding suitable employment for the able-bodied, but for the class of men who correspond to the women who sew and knit. As to the able-bodied, those who have trades, such as carpenters, painters, whitewashers, shoe-makers, plumbers, steam-fitters, blacksmiths, tailors, etc., we can always keep such numbers as we are likely to have, busy on either new work or repairs; in fact, we now have enough men of this class. Of those unskilled it takes a large force to do the house work of the institution and male hospital. The surplus we can work on the farm and grounds, or can at least for many years to come; therefore I do not think it advisable at this time to attempt to start any organized industry for able-bodied men. But we have in the institution to-day about one hundred and fifty men who are neither able-bodied nor subjects for the hospital, who are living practically in idleness; the little chores many of them do around the building do not occupy one-tenth of their time. Ought these men, simply for their own good, to be employed at some regular work? We should never anticipate any revenue for the institution from their labor; if we did we should be disappointed. What ought we to do to do our duty towards them? What shall they do? To the casual observer it would seem as though these men ought to accomplish quite an amount of work; but upon closer inspection, upon more intimate knowledge, it will be seen that but few of them are capable of any sustained effort no matter how light it may be. Extreme old age incapacitates quite a number; mental weakness and rheumatism disposes of as many more. All of the simple trades usually found in institutions, as carving chairs, basket, brush, or broom making, demand a certain degree of manual dexterity, and that our men, in

almost every instance, lack. Out of the entire number of the class under discussion there are not over ten or fifteen whom we dare trust to peel vegetables, and consider capable even for that simple work. Now, which will be the true charity, — to let them live along quietly as we have in the past and die in peace, or furnish them with some employment which they do not desire, to occupy the time now spent in gossiping, loafing in smokers' hall winters and on the lawn under the trees summers? The only suggestion that I have to make is that we might set them to picking oakum a few hours each day. There would be no financial profit in this, but in all probability a loss. I have brought this matter up at the present time because we shall have in a few days a room suitable for a workshop. I have in view the room now used as a chapel, something which has heretofore been lacking in any scheme we might form for keeping any of our inmates employed at a regular trade.

I take this opportunity, knowing as I do that you are trying to make such changes in the institutions under your charge as will tend to improve them and the condition, present and future, of their inmates, to offer the following for your consideration :

There are two classes of inmates who come to this institution: first, those who from sickness, old age, or some mental or bodily infirmity have become a charge upon the city; second, those who are well and strong, but who from their unfortunate habits, lack of ambition, or some other cause, are unable to obtain or keep regular employment. All of the first class demand more or less medical treatment and may be classed as hospital or infirmary cases; the large majority of them being chronic or incurable will stay here the remainder of their lives. Our object, as I understand it, is to give them the best care possible and make their surroundings as pleasant and comfortable as our means, financial and otherwise, will permit. Our duty towards this class is clear and the fulfilment of it not over-difficult.

With the second class everything is different. Here is a set of men who certainly ought not to be dependent upon the city for their support, yet if my past twelve years' experience with them has taught me anything it is that they will be dependent unless our methods of handling them are changed. Our statistics show that this class spend the greater portion of their time between the House of Industry and the almshouse. A superficial knowledge as to the number of commitments to these institutions would lead one to suppose that a great many different people went to them. This is not so. A few go out and return a great many times. They enter first one and then the other institution. How to successfully treat this class is the great problem with us. To-day, with the exception of the amount of work required and enforced, both classes are treated alike and mingle together to a greater or less extent. A proper classification carefully carried out would be a step in the right direction. Many talk of classification, but none give details or estimate the expense. It is obvious that the second class does not need, nor should they receive, the same treatment as the first class; neither their physical nor moral well-being demands it. The former should properly be considered as workhouse cases and committed as such distinct from the almshouse.

This institution is now known as the Boston Almshouse and Hospital. Whether it is a workhouse as well as an almshouse is a mooted question. What I suggest is this: designate this institution as the Boston Charity Hospital, and make it such a place to which only such cases as are included in our first class, namely, those who from sickness, old age, or some mental or bodily infirmity, have become a charge upon the city, can come for such care and treatment as they require. Under the circumstances we would attract and relieve many worthy people who now, dreading the odium attached to the word almshouse, will not come to this institution. This would tend to elevate the character of the

institution in many ways, to make it of greater benefit to the community at large, and enable us to do better by the inmates who properly belong here.

What is to be done with our second class of able-bodied men? Let them be committed, self-committed, for a definite term of not less than sixty days, and as much longer as the applicant may desire, to a workhouse from which they could be drafted to do the work at this institution. The workhouse could be located at Deer Island with no additional expense. Objection might be made to this that any poor honest man out of employment, going to the city for support, would there be obliged to associate with criminals. Practically it would not be so, as all the self-committed men and women could be immediately sent to this institution, for in the past three years I have never seen a day when we had inmates enough to do the work we have had on hand, nor are we likely to have for many years to come.

It might be asked, if under this plan the same persons are still to be on Long Island, what benefits do we expect to derive, and where the elevation of the institution, the reformation of the individual? I wish to say that I do not believe a public charitable institution under the best of conditions is a very favorable place to make a man a good citizen; also that as long as we have a definite length of sentence a workhouse or any other penal institution offers but a poor chance of reforming its inmates. I think that the superintendent should have the power to discharge at any time, after proper observation and study of the individual case, any inmate whom he considered had proved himself worthy, that no inmate should be discharged until he had so proved himself, that there should be some organized board or society in the city to which each case could be sent, whose duty it would be to find employment for the discharged before their release and to keep track of them, as much as possible, afterwards; to lend them encouragement and help whenever necessary.

It has always seemed to me that this was the great, the most promising field for those philanthropically inclined towards the poor and the unfortunate, the field of the discharged pauper, the discharged criminal. I have known many a man and woman who would gladly have gone to work upon their discharge from these institutions could they have procured it, and who with very little oversight and encouragement would undoubtedly have become good citizens. The trouble with most of our unfortunates is that they lack ambition, that they lack will-power and perseverance. Many mean to do well, but after they get to the city, — if they have no work to go to immediately, no one to take an interest in them, after one or two feeble efforts to secure work they drift back to their old associates who are always ready to welcome them.

Believing then, as I do, that the city is the more favorable place for carrying on the elevating and reforming process, the benefits we expect are, to be able more easily to separate the reformable from the others, to be able to get better work from those who can work, to be able to make the lives of the first class more pleasant by a more complete separation, impossible under the present order of things, to give us the undeniable right to make a distinction between inmates in other ways than in the amount of work required, and I think it would tend to lessen the number of persons to be supported by the city.

It would probably require some legislation to carry out the foregoing plan. If this should be found impracticable, and it was possible to obtain a written opinion from the corporation counsel, under which we would be protected by the city in carrying out our plans, that this institution was a workhouse, it would be possible, by organizing the workhouse as a distinct department of the institution, and having separate commitments to it, to obtain many of the improvements we desire.

For some months past we have tried the policy of restricting passes, to the extent that they have been issued only to those inmates who have been here sixty days. If it has made any difference it is very slight. The old men, as a general rule, have never gone out as often as once in sixty days. Now when the young men want to go out if their time is not up they take a discharge. The result would be the same if the time was extended to ninety days. It has always seemed to me that this question of passes was one that could not be settled *per se*, as long as the law stands or is interpreted that a pauper can go out on a discharge and come in on a new permit, at their own option. Even though it be daily we had much better grant them passes within a reasonable limit; as they are used or given to-day they act somewhat as a restraint on the men. If passes were abolished they would, in a short time, go to the city more often than they do now. If we are to be obliged to entertain at this institution these men who now come and go so frequently, some law should be enacted by which they could be committed here for a definite period, not too short; preferably, as I have said, an indefinite period dependent upon their conduct while here. Could this be accomplished, and I hope some day to see it, the solution of the pass question, and many other more vexing ones as well, would be rendered comparatively easy.

During the past year our plant has been increased by the addition of several new buildings and enlargement of others. Early in February we began to build an ice-house. It was completed too late, however, to enable us to fill it with ice of our own cutting. This year we have succeeded in filling it with ice cut from our reservoir. The building is estimated to hold three hundred and fifty tons.

Our so-called piggery, situated at the east end of the island, which formerly consisted of a few abandoned Portuguese cottages, placed end to end, was rebuilt last spring and a large addition made, doubling its capacity. We have

long been desirous of getting our carpenter shop out of the basement of the institution building, not only to give us room to enlarge our store, but on account of the danger from fire. This winter we have completed a good-sized carpenter shop, next to the blacksmith's shop, and hope soon to build a paint shop in the same vicinity. These three buildings were built by our own mechanics at very little expense. A large part of the material used in the two latter was either picked up on the beach or saved from old buildings now destroyed. July 20 work was begun on a dwelling-house for the superintendent and completed ready for occupancy, January. The house is a very substantially built, wooden building, old colonial style, twelve rooms and a bath, with laundry in the basement. It is heated by hot water and lighted by electricity and gas. It is advantageously located on a slight knoll, about one hundred yards from the water, east of the main road from wharf to institution buildings, commanding a good view of the latter. This house was very much needed. We are now enabled to use the old quarters of the superintendent as a nurses' home, the purpose for which they are best fitted.

Another building also very much needed has been constructed during the past year ; namely, a chapel. This is also a wooden structure, but has panels of Portland cement to conform to the style of the hospital and women's dormitory. The interior finish, including the pews, is of hard pine. The building is 96 by 52 feet, with a seating capacity of nearly 800 ; is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. It is situated on the slope to the north of the hospital building, about 50 yards distant and 100 yards from the women's dormitory.

Last summer a good substantial picket fence was built around the cemetery, and the grading and laying out of paths, commenced in the fall of 1893, completed. I might mention in this connection that we have built a good hearse,

to be used in carrying the dead to the cemetery, and to the wharf when they are to go to the city.

One of the greatest improvements, from a sanitary point, made last year was the addition of a men's toilet and wash room in the basement of the main building. This gives us eight additional water-closets, a slate urinal twenty-three feet long, and a sink with washing taps. The walls of the toilet-room are brick and the floor granolithic. The whole is arranged with a view to washing it down with a hose as often as is necessary. Other slight improvements in the same direction have been the fixing, by pulleys and chains, of the water-closets in the hospital and dormitory so that we are sure of getting a fore and after flush, and the putting up of a slate urinal in the men's toilet-rooms at the hospital.

The year has been one of considerable activity with us in the painting line. We have been unusually favored both in numbers and good quality of painters. We have painted the chapel and superintendent's house inside and out, also the mortuary. We have painted nearly the whole inside of the main building, two coats; all the wards, toilet-rooms, isolating rooms, etc., in the west and centre wings of the hospital, three coats; all of the steam-pipes at hospital and dormitory, and most of the soil and water pipes; the outside of the piggery, ice house, blacksmith shop and carpenter shop, the nurses' cottage, the cemetery and dormitory yard fence, 650 iron bedsteads, nearly 500 rocking and dining-room chairs, and have done innumerable odd jobs always necessary in a large institution.

An improvement which has proved its usefulness many times already was made in our water system last spring. Our fire-pump was connected with the main supply-pipe in such a way that now whenever the water pressure gets low, by starting the pumps we can raise it to any desired limit, and in case of fire the hydrants can be made of some practical use. This subject of water pressure means a great

deal to us. There may be plenty of water in the mains on the island, but with too low pressure to force itself into our water-closets or hot-water tanks. The pressure from the reservoir even is not enough to lift the water into the latter. Since the pump was connected last spring it is safe to say it has been in use one-quarter of the time.

Our water supply this year has been the most satisfactory of any in the history of the island, and it seems now as though we ought to be free from any further trouble from this source. We have had about all the water we could use throughout the year, with the exception of four days, March 7 to 10 inclusive, when we had to depend on the water boat. The water main between Moon Head and Long Island froze on the night of February 4. We immediately began to draw from the reservoir and continued to do so until March 7, when that supply gave out, and it was not until March 10 that we got water through a temporary lead pipe. The water from the city was again shut off from July 20 to 31, but our reservoir this time supplied us with plenty.

During the month of October our reservoir was drawn off, cleaned out, and the lower portion of it concreted and the water turned on November 6. Running water has been carried into the barn.

In this connection it may be proper to speak of an improvement, one not made by us, but of which we expect to reap the benefit. The Water Board has had the water main which runs from Moon Head to Long Island buried five feet under the bottom of the bay. Heretofore this pipe has frozen nearly every winter. We hope that the means taken to prevent it will prove successful for the future.

At the west end of the island the tide has for several years been flowing in and out over the flats. This action of the tide washed off so much of the sand covering the water-pipe that it froze at this point last winter. We have tried to remedy it by digging a trench about one hundred and fifty

feet long and ten feet wide, and to the depth of one foot below the water-pipe, filling the trench three feet with clay, the rest with sand, bulkheading the whole with barrels filled with stone and gravel, and building a breakwater of rocks on the water side. This work occupied the time of some thirty men for a month or more, as the stone and clay had to be brought from a distance. So far this has proved a success.

Among the many alterations and improvements made during the year I might mention the issuing of individual towels to the women and the furnishing them with underdrawers; the moving of the ironing department to basement of women's dormitory, making it easier for the women, as they do not have to come out doors in stormy weather, and giving us more workroom in the laundry; the setting up of two washing machines and a large size extractor; the building of a new drying room, and altogether more than doubling the capacity of our laundry; fencing in the women's yard, putting in electric lights at the barn, thus doing away with the danger from using lanterns; the fitting up of a reception room for employees so as to make it more attractive; the enlarging, to double its former size, of the clerk's office, which has for some time been too small for the growing needs of the institution, and furnishing the assistant superintendent with a private office; the arrangement of tables in the men's dining-hall has been altered so that instead of long tables to accommodate sixty-four, we now have a greater number of short tables to seat eighteen and twenty; and the enlarging of the capacity of our coal bunks by about 125 tons.

Our electric and heating plant has been well kept up and is in good condition; a new set of tubes was put in each of our two small boilers, so that they are now in condition to run for many years.

Much work has been done during the year grading around the reservoir, the new wing of the hospital, and the women's dormitory; much still remains to be done at the

latter. Some road building has been done around the hospital and laundry; not much, but what we have done has been well done. There is enough of this kind of work alone to be done on the island to keep the able-bodied men busy every pleasant day for the next five years. A great deal of time and much labor has been spent in building bulk-heads and breakwaters to protect the cliff back of the dormitory, the cliff to the east of the front wharf, and the embankment to the west of the wharf, and prevent their washing away; it will be necessary to continue this work.

Early last spring two groves of willow trees were set out near the bog holes near the pasture, one on the south, the other on the north side of the island, a small grove in the women's yard, and a row of trees around the cemetery. These are all doing quite as well as could be expected. More will be set out this coming spring.

The following list gives the number of new articles manufactured for our own use in our sewing-rooms, showing in a measure the amount of work done there: towels, 2,382; roller towels, 247; wool shirts, 854; cotton shirts, 836; wool drawers, 840 pairs; cotton drawers, 306 pairs; aprons, 407; dresses, 268; overalls, 105 pairs; jumpers, 64; night-gowns, 121; chemises, 218; petticoats, 120; waists, cotton, 27; men's night-shirts, 37; sheets, officers', 85; pillow-slips, 193; wool socks, 44 pairs.

The farm produce averages about the same this year as in the past few seasons. The yield undoubtedly would have been far above the average had it not been for the drought which lasted for several weeks. We have put 180 cords of manure on the land the past season; we gathered 75 cords of seaweed from the beach to aid us in the production of fertilizing material, and we have gotten out 40 cords of muck which we expect to make use of next year. A summary of the crops is appended.

Mr. George H. Stinson, who came here February 12, 1894, as deputy superintendent, was obliged, on account of failing health, to resign from the arduous duties of that position on February 15, 1895. Mr. William F. Clark was appointed to fill the vacancy. Mr. Stinson was appointed relief officer, but his health gradually failed, and he died June 29. His death was a loss to us, as he always did his duty to the best of his ability.

As in years past, this institution is indebted to the House of Industry for supplying us with men to do our work. This year we have averaged seventy-five daily. I take this opportunity to acknowledge our obligation.

If our bill for fuel is unusually large it is due to the fact that from the increase in our number of buildings we have been heating almost double the number of cubic feet of air space.

A coal-shed has been recommended so often for this island, and the need of it is so well understood, that it seems superfluous to mention it again.

In closing I wish to thank you for the support given me and for the kindness and consideration you have always shown me.

Yours respectfully,

C. H. COGSWELL,  
*Superintendent.*

ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, ETC., AT ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL, LONG ISLAND, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1896.

Remaining January 31, 1896 :

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Males . . . . .   | 488 |
| Females . . . . . | 327 |
|                   | —   |
| Total . . . . .   | 815 |

## Admitted :

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Males . . . . . | 983 |
|-----------------|-----|

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Females . . . . . | 718 |
|-------------------|-----|

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Total . . . . . | 1,701 |
|-----------------|-------|

## Discharged :

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Males . . . . . | 1,012 |
|-----------------|-------|

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Females . . . . . | 562 |
|-------------------|-----|

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Total . . . . . | 1,574 |
|-----------------|-------|

## Discharged by death :

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Males . . . . . | 75 |
|-----------------|----|

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Females . . . . . | 92 |
|-------------------|----|

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Total . . . . . | 167 |
|-----------------|-----|

## Largest number during the year :

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Males . . . . . | 528 |
|-----------------|-----|

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Females . . . . . | 393 |
|-------------------|-----|

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Total . . . . . | 921 |
|-----------------|-----|

## Smallest number during the year :

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Males . . . . . | 280 |
|-----------------|-----|

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Females . . . . . | 283 |
|-------------------|-----|

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Total . . . . . | 563 |
|-----------------|-----|

## Average number during the year :

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Males . . . . . | 370 |
|-----------------|-----|

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Females . . . . . | 323 |
|-------------------|-----|

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| Total . . . . . | 693 |
|-----------------|-----|

## AGES OF INMATES ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

|                      | Males. |                      | Females. |
|----------------------|--------|----------------------|----------|
| Under 20 years . . . | 40     | Under 20 years . . . | 24       |
| 20 to 30 years . . . | 165    | 20 to 30 years . . . | 50       |
| 30 " 40 " . . .      | 325    | 30 " 40 " . . .      | 112      |
| 40 " 50 " . . .      | 270    | 40 " 50 " . . .      | 146      |
| 50 " 60 " . . .      | 91     | 50 " 60 " . . .      | 160      |
| 60 " 70 " . . .      | 52     | 60 " 70 " . . .      | 144      |
| 70 " 80 " . . .      | 27     | 70 " 80 " . . .      | 69       |
| 80 " 90 " . . .      | 13     | 80 " 90 " . . .      | 12       |
|                      | —      | 90 " 95 " . . .      | 1        |
|                      | 983    |                      | —        |
|                      |        |                      | 718      |

## SUMMARY OF CROPS, ETC.

35 tons of hay.  
 4 " " squash.  
 100 " " corn fodder.  
 16 " " oats for fodder.  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  ton " summer squash.  
 1,500 bushels of mangels.  
 500 " " sweet corn.  
 640 " " onions.  
 100 " " turnips.  
 250 " " beets.  
 100 " " carrots.  
 100 " " tomatoes.  
 25 " " peas.  
 15 " " string beans.  
 100 " " parsnips.  
 240 " " potatoes.  
 200 " " onion sets.  
 10 " " peppers.  
 12,000 heads of cabbage.

3,000 heads of celery.  
 800   “   “ lettuce.  
 600 bunches radishes.  
 40 barrels of cucumbers.  
 1,000 pounds of rhubarb.  
 10,617   “   “ pork.  
 2,500 bedding plants for decorating grounds.  
 65,966 quarts of milk.

TABLE SHOWING TOTAL ADMISSIONS, DAILY AVERAGE, ETC.,  
 FOR PAST EIGHT YEARS.

| YEAR.        | Total<br>Admissions. | First<br>Admissions. | Number<br>remaining<br>at date of an-<br>nual report. | Average<br>Number. |
|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1888.....    | 1,231                | .....                | 944                                                   | 787                |
| 1889.....    | 1,273                | .....                | 847                                                   | 816                |
| 1890.....    | 1,154                | 332                  | 862                                                   | 746                |
| 1891.....    | 1,273                | 453                  | 926                                                   | 813                |
| 1892-93..... | 1,352                | 441                  | 992                                                   | 812                |
| 1893-94..... | 1,705                | 379                  | 919                                                   | 728                |
| 1894-95..... | 1,951                | 364                  | 960                                                   | 806                |
| 1895-96..... | 1,501                | 352                  | 815                                                   | 693                |

Of the 1,696 admissions which appear in the statistics for the year, 195 were transfers from Rainsford Island.

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR INMATES AT BOSTON ALMS- HOUSE AND HOSPITAL, LONG ISLAND, BOSTON HARBOR.

1. Inmates immediately upon their arrival at the alms-house, unless excused by a physician, must take a bath and change their citizen's clothing for a full outfit of institution clothes. Inmates will not be allowed to wear any of their own clothing while in the institution except by express

permission of the Superintendent, and all money must be given to the Superintendent for safe keeping.

2. Inmates must rise at 5.15 A.M., and retire at 8 P.M., at which time all lights must be turned down. The gong will be sounded at those hours.

3. The regular hours for labor will be from 7 to 11.30 A.M. and from 1 to 4.45 P.M.

4. Hours for meals will be breakfast, 6 A.M.; dinner, 12 M.; supper, 5 P.M.

5. Smoking is prohibited within 1,500 feet of any building, or in the building outside of the regular smoking rooms.

6. Male inmates are positively forbidden, except on business, to walk or loiter on that portion of the island lying east of the male institution building; females, that portion of the island lying west of the female building.

7. Communication, either written or oral, between male and female inmates is forbidden except by express permission of the Superintendent.

8. Inmates are forbidden, except on business, to enter the barn or other out-buildings, or to loiter about them or the wharves.

9. Inmates must be bathed at least once a week, and cleanliness both in person and in habits will be enforced. Male inmates must be at their bedside at 11 A.M., and female inmates at 2.30 P.M., every Sunday to undergo inspection of clothing.

10. Profane, obscene, and impertinent language, disorderly or insubordinate conduct, talking in the dormitories after retiring, wilful destruction of institution property, annoying "cranky" or feeble-minded inmates are strictly prohibited.

11. Inmates must perform such work as may be assigned to them faithfully and well, and obey the orders of their officers and rules of the institution cheerfully and promptly.

12. Leave of absence will be granted to males on Monday; to females on Wednesday.

## HOSPITAL REPORT.

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*To the Commissioner of Public Institutions:*

SIR: I respectfully submit the following report of the hospital of this institution:

|                                                  |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Number of patients in hospital February 1, 1895, | 183   |
| Admitted :                                       |       |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 330   |
| Females . . . . .                                | 440   |
|                                                  | — 770 |
| Total number treated in hospital . .             | 953   |
| Discharged :                                     |       |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 267   |
| Females . . . . .                                | 267   |
|                                                  | — 534 |
| Remaining in hospital February 1, 1896 :         |       |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 80    |
| Females . . . . .                                | 172   |
|                                                  | — 252 |
| Died :                                           |       |
| Males . . . . .                                  | 75    |
| Females . . . . .                                | 92    |
|                                                  | — 167 |
|                                                  | 953   |
| Largest number in one day . . . . .              | 286   |
| Smallest “ “ “ “ . . . . .                       | 246   |
| Daily average . . . . .                          | 268   |
| Births . . . . .                                 | 30    |
| Number of patients treated as out-patients . .   | 5,146 |

STATISTICS.

MEDICAL DISEASES.

*Classified according to the Nomenclature of Diseases, as published by the Royal College of Physicians of London and American Medical Association.*

| DISEASES.                 | In Hospital Feb. 1, 1895. | ADMITTED. |          |        | DISCHARGED. |           |             | DIED.  |          | In Hospital Feb. 1, 1896. |
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|                           |                           | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Well.       | Relieved. | Unrelieved. | Males. | Females. |                           |
| GENERAL DISEASES.         |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Class A.                  |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Coryza .....              | .....                     | 21        | 10       | 31     | 31          | .....     | ..          | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Influenza .....           | .....                     | 8         | 14       | 22     | 20          | 2         | ..          | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Malaria.....              | .....                     | 3         | 2        | 5      | 4           | .....     | ..          | .....  | .....    | 1                         |
| Diphtheria .....          | .....                     | 1         | 1        | 2      | 1           | .....     | ..          | 1      | .....    | .....                     |
| Class B.                  |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Debility, general .....   | 8                         | 16        | 23       | 47     | 14          | 14        | ..          | 1      | 1        | 17                        |
| Arthritis deformans.....  | 1                         | .....     | 1        | 2      | .....       | .....     | 1           | .....  | .....    | 1                         |
| Lumbago .....             | .....                     | 8         | 15       | 23     | 23          | .....     | ..          | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Rheumatism, acute .....   | 2                         | 15        | 13       | 30     | 27          | .....     | ..          | .....  | .....    | 3                         |
| “ chronic .....           | 9                         | 6         | 15       | 30     | 2           | 19        | 1           | .....  | .....    | 8                         |
| “ sub-acute .....         | 1                         | 3         | 1        | 5      | 2           | 3         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Phthisis, pulmonary ..... | 14                        | 59        | 31       | 104    | .....       | 27        | 9           | 30     | 20       | 18                        |
| “ incipient.....          | 1                         | .....     | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | 1           | .....  | .....    | .....                     |

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|                              |                           | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Well.       | Relieved. | Unrelieved. | Males. | Females. |                           |
| Tuberculosis, general .....  |                           | 1         | 2        | 3      | ....        | 1         | ..          | 1      | 1        | ....                      |
| Pott's disease .....         |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ....        | ....   | ....     | 1                         |
| Anæmia .....                 |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | 1         | ..          | ....   | ....     | ....                      |
| Senility .....               | 10                        | ....      | ....     | 10     | ....        | 7         | 3           | ..     | ....     | ....                      |
| Senile debility .....        | 10                        | 31        | 69       | 110    | ....        | 30        | 6           | 5      | 23       | 46                        |
| Rheumatism, gonorrhœal ..... |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | 1         | ....        | ....   | ....     | ....                      |
| Alcoholism .....             |                           | 45        | 30       | 75     | 73          | ....      | ....        | ....   | ....     | 2                         |
| Delirium tremens .....       |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ....        | ....   | ....     | ....                      |
| Morphine habit .....         |                           | ....      | 2        | 2      | ....        | 1         | 1           | ..     | ....     | ....                      |
| Diabetes mellitus .....      | 1                         | 2         | ....     | 3      | ....        | 3         | ....        | ....   | ....     | ....                      |
| Addison's disease .....      |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ....     | ....                      |
| Myxœdema .....               |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ....        | ....   | ....     | 1                         |
| NERVOUS SYSTEM.              |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Chorea .....                 |                           | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ....     | ....                      |
| Cerebral hemorrhage .....    | 1                         | 3         | 11       | 15     | ....        | 4         | ..          | 1      | 8        | 2                         |
| Paralysis .....              | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ....        | ....   | ....     | 1                         |
| Epilepsy .....               | 5                         | 11        | 3        | 19     | ....        | 9         | ..          | 3      | 2        | 5                         |
| Hemiplegia .....             | 9                         | 3         | 13       | 25     | ....        | 2         | 5           | ..     | ....     | 18                        |
| Paraplegia' .....            | 3                         | ....      | 2        | 5      | ....        | 2         | 3           | ....   | ....     | ....                      |
| Locomotor ataxia' .....      | 1                         | 1         | 3        | 5      | ....        | ....      | 2           | ..     | ....     | 3                         |
| Multiple neuritis .....      | 1                         | 1         | ....     | 2      | ....        | ....      | ..          | 1      | ..       | 1                         |
| Paralysis agitans .....      | 2                         | 1         | 1        | 4      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ....     | 3                         |
| Lateral sclerosis .....      | 1                         | ....      | 1        | 2      | ....        | 1         | 1           | ..     | ....     | ....                      |

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| Anterio poliomyelitis.....         | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Neuralgia .....                    | ....                      | 3         | 6        | 9      | 3           | 5         | ..          | ..     | ..       | 1                         |
| Catalepsy .....                    | ....                      | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Hysteria .....                     | ....                      | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | ....      | ....        | ..     | ..       | 1                         |
| Ataxic paraplegia.....             | ....                      | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | ....      | ....        | ..     | ..       | 1                         |
| Neurasthenia.....                  | ....                      | ....      | ....     | ....   | ....        | ....      | ....        | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Spinal syphilis.....               | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Cerebral “ .....                   | ....                      | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ..          | 1      | ..       | ....                      |
| Masturbation.....                  | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Tubercular meningitis.....         | ....                      | 1         | 1        | 2      | ....        | ....      | ..          | 1      | 1        | ....                      |
| Chronic myelitis.....              | ....                      | 5         | 1        | 6      | ....        | ....      | 2           | ..     | 1        | 3                         |
| Glasso-labio laryngeal paralysis.. | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| INTELLECT.                         |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Dementia.....                      | 6                         | 4         | 8        | 18     | ....        | 2         | 8           | ..     | ..       | 8                         |
| “ senile .....                     | 1                         | 5         | 15       | 21     | ....        | 1         | 8           | ..     | ..       | 12                        |
| Alcoholic insanity .....           | ....                      | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | 1                         |
| Epileptic insanity.....            | ....                      | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Idiot .....                        | 5                         | ....      | ....     | 5      | ....        | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | 4                         |
| Acute dementia .....               | ....                      | 2         | ....     | 2      | ....        | ....      | 2           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| “ mania .....                      | ....                      | 2         | ....     | 2      | ....        | ....      | 2           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Insanity .....                     | ....                      | 1         | 6        | 7      | ....        | 1         | 6           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.                |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Valvular diseases of heart .....   | 5                         | 13        | 29       | 47     | ....        | 17        | ..          | 10     | 8        | 12                        |

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| Functional diseases of heart..... | 1                         | .....     | .....    | 1      | .....       | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| Fatty degeneration .....          | 1                         | .....     | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | 1           | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| Hæmorrhage .....                  | .....                     | 4         | 3        | 7      | .....       | 7         | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| Ascites .....                     | .....                     | .....     | 2        | 2      | .....       | 1         | 1           | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| DISEASES OF FAUCES.               |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Tonsilitis .....                  | 1                         | 10        | 13       | 24     | 28          | .....     | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.               |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Larynx:                           |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Laryngitis .....                  | .....                     | 3         | 2        | 5      | 3           | 1         | 1           | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| Pharynx:                          |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Pharyngitis .....                 | 1                         | 27        | 23       | 51     | 51          | .....     | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| LUNGS.                            |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Bronchitis, acute .....           | 1                         | 5         | 12       | 18     | 18          | .....     | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| "    chronic.....                 | 5                         | 24        | 28       | 47     | 2           | 20        | 11          | 1      | 4        | 9                         |
| "    capillary .....              | .....                     | 2         | 2        | 4      | 1           | .....     | ..          | 1      | 2        | .....                     |
| Asthma.....                       | 1                         | 6         | 8        | 15     | .....       | 11        | ..          | ..     | ..       | 4                         |
| Pneumonia.....                    | 1                         | 8         | 10       | 19     | 13          | .....     | ..          | 3      | 3        | .....                     |
| Hæmoptysis.....                   | 2                         | .....     | .....    | 2      | .....       | 2         | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |
| Hypostatic congestion.....        | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | ..          | 1      | ..       | .....                     |
| Empyema.....                      | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | ..          | 1      | ..       | .....                     |
| Pleura:                           |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Pleurisy .....                    | .....                     | 2         | 3        | 5      | 4           | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | .....                     |

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| DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.          |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Stomatitis gangrenous..... |                           | 1         |          | 1      |             |           |             | 1      |          |                           |
| “ ulcerative.....          | 1                         |           | 2        | 3      | 2           | 1         |             |        |          |                           |
| Gastritis .....            |                           | 3         | 4        | 7      | 5           | 2         |             |        |          |                           |
| “ chronic.....             |                           | 4         |          | 4      |             | 4         |             |        |          |                           |
| “ alcoholic .....          |                           | 1         | 3        | 4      | 3           | 1         |             |        |          |                           |
| Indigestion .....          |                           | 18        | 24       | 42     | 40          |           |             |        |          | 2                         |
| Dyspepsia .....            | 1                         | 1         | 1        | 3      |             | 2         |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Diarrhœa .....             |                           | 22        | 45       | 67     | 66          |           |             | 1      |          |                           |
| “ chronic.....             |                           | 3         | 2        | 5      |             | 4         |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Dysentery .....            |                           |           | 2        | 2      |             |           |             |        | 2        |                           |
| Gastro-enteritis :         |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Colic .....                |                           | 5         | 25       | 30     | 30          |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Chronic constipation ..... | 1                         | 12        | 40       | 53     | 11          | 40        |             |        |          | 2                         |
| Cancer, stomach.....       |                           |           | 1        | 1      |             |           |             |        | 1        |                           |
| “ duodenum.....            |                           |           | 1        | 1      |             |           |             |        | 1        |                           |
| LIVER.                     |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Jaundice catarrhal.....    | 1                         |           | 2        | 3      | 2           |           |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Congestion.....            |                           | 2         |          | 2      | 1           | 1         |             |        |          |                           |
| Cirrhosis .....            | 1                         |           | 1        | 2      |             | 1         |             |        |          | 1                         |
| URINARY SYSTEM.            |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Albuminuria.....           |                           |           | 1        | 1      |             | 1         |             |        |          |                           |
| Nephritis, chronic .....   | 2                         | 6         | 2        | 10     |             | 5         |             | 1      |          | 4                         |

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| Cystitis.....                 |                           | 10        | 6        | 16     | 12          | 3         |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Prostatitis, chronic .....    |                           | 3         |          | 3      |             |           | 3           |        |          |                           |
| Atony, bladder .....          |                           | 2         | 2        | 4      | 2           | 2         |             |        |          |                           |
| CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.             |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Psoriasis.....                |                           | 2         |          | 2      | 2           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Eczema.....                   | 1                         | 2         | 5        | 8      | 4           | 3         |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Scabies.....                  |                           | 3         | 1        | 4      | 4           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Urticaria.....                |                           |           | 2        | 2      | 2           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Herpes zoster .....           |                           | 1         |          | 1      | 1           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Lupus .....                   | 1                         | 1         |          | 2      |             | 1         | 1           |        |          |                           |
| Acne .....                    |                           |           | 3        | 3      | 3           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| EAR.                          |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Otitis media.....             |                           |           | 3        | 3      | 1           | 2         |             |        |          |                           |
| Cerumen .....                 |                           | 3         | 3        | 6      | 6           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| EYE.                          |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Ophthalmia gonorrhœal .....   |                           | 1         |          | 1      |             |           |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Stricture lacrymal duct ..... |                           |           | 1        | 1      |             |           | 1           |        |          |                           |
| Separation retina.....        |                           | 1         |          | 1      |             |           |             |        |          | 1                         |
| Keratitis, old.....           |                           | 2         | 4        | 6      |             |           | 6           |        |          |                           |
| Ulcer cornea.....             |                           |           | 1        | 1      | 1           |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Iritis .....                  |                           | 4         | 8        | 12     | 9           | 1         |             |        |          | 2                         |
| Cataract .....                |                           | 1         | 12       | 13     |             |           | 10          |        |          | 3                         |
| Conjunctivitis .....          | 2                         | 3         | 7        | 12     | 9           | 3         |             |        |          |                           |

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| Pterigium.....            | 1                         | 1         | .....    | 2      | .....       | 2         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Enucleation eye .....     | .....                     | .....     | 1        | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| UNCLASSIFIED.             |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Exhaustion .....          | .....                     | 3         | .....    | 3      | .....       | .....     | .....       | 3      | .....    | .....                     |
| Marasmus .....            | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | 1      | .....    | .....                     |
| Oxyuris vermic.....       | ...                       | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Œdema of brain.....       | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | 1      | .....    | .....                     |
| Lead poisoning.....       | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | 1         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Premature birth.....      | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | 1      | .....    | .....                     |
| Embolism.....             | .....                     | .....     | 1        | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | .....  | 1        | .....                     |
| DISEASES OF WOMEN.        |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Puerperal eclampsia ..... | .....                     | .....     | 2        | 2      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | 1        | .....                     |
| Cancer uterus.....        | 2                         | .....     | 7        | 9      | .....       | .....     | 3           | .....  | 4        | 2                         |
| “ breast .....            | 1                         | .....     | 1        | 2      | .....       | .....     | 1           | .....  | 1        | .....                     |
| Endometritis .....        | 1                         | .....     | 2        | 3      | .....       | 3         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Mastitis .....            | .....                     | .....     | 1        | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Retroversion uterus.....  | .....                     | .....     | 2        | 2      | .....       | 2         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Prolapse “ .....          | .....                     | .....     | 2        | 2      | .....       | 1         | 1           | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Vaginitis .....           | 2                         | .....     | 1        | 3      | 3           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Amenorrhœa .....          | 1                         | .....     | 4        | 5      | .....       | .....     | 5           | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Dysmenorrhœa .....        | 1                         | .....     | 21       | 22     | .....       | 22        | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Menorrhagia .....         | .....                     | .....     | 4        | 4      | 3           | 1         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Pregnancy .....           | 5                         | .....     | 38       | 43     | 30          | .....     | 11          | .....  | .....    | 2                         |

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| Laceration perineum.....     |                           |           | 4        | 4      | 3           | ....      | 1           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Vulvitis .....               | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Ovaritis .....               |                           | ....      | 2        | 2      | ....        | 2         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| SURGICAL.                    |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Abscess perineal.....        | 1                         | 2         | ....     | 3      | 2           | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Hæmorrhoids .....            |                           | 4         | 3        | 7      | 2           | 3         | ..          | ..     | ..       | 2                         |
| Fistula in ano.....          | 1                         | ....      | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Prolapse rectum .....        | 1                         | ....      | 1        | 2      | ....        | ....      | 2           | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Ulcers .....                 | 3                         | 12        | 15       | 30     | 24          | 6         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| “ varicose .....             | 2                         | 7         | 18       | 27     | 15          | 6         | ..          | ..     | ..       | 6                         |
| Abscess, ischio-rectal ..... |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| “ inf. max .....             |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| “ post auric.....            |                           | ....      | 1        | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Periostitis .....            |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Synovitis .....              |                           | 3         | ....     | 3      | 2           | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Cellulitis .....             | 1                         | 1         | ....     | 2      | 2           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Erysipelas .....             |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | 1                         |
| Gangrene .....               |                           | 1         | ....     | 1      | ....        | ....      | ..          | 1      | ..       | ....                      |
| Septicæmia .....             |                           | ....      | 1        | 1      | ....        | ....      | ..          | ..     | 1        | ....                      |
| Necrosis sevia.....          |                           | 1         | 2        | 3      | 2           | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Bursitis .....               |                           | ....      | 1        | 1      | 1           | ....      | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| Hernia, inguinal.....        |                           | 6         | ....     | 6      | 1           | 5         | ..          | ..     | ..       | ....                      |
| ventral .....                | 1                         | ....      | 1        | 2      | ....        | 1         | ..          | ..     | ..       | 1                         |

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|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|----------|--------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--------|----------|---------------------------|
|                        |                           | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Well.       | Relieved. | Unrelieved. | Males. | Females. |                           |
| Epithelionia.....      |                           | 3         | 1        | 4      | .....       | .....     | 3           | 1      | .....    |                           |
| Abcess, thumb .....    |                           |           | 2        | 2      | 2           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| “ tubercular .....     |                           |           | 3        | 3      | 3           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Cancer, axillary ..... |                           |           | 1        | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       |        | 1        | .....                     |
| “ pharynx .....        |                           |           | 1        | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       |        | 1        | .....                     |
| Tumor, fatty .....     |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Hydrocele .....        |                           | 3         | .....    | 3      | .....       | 2         | .....       |        |          | 1                         |
| Larconia .....         |                           |           | 1        | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       |        | 1        | .....                     |
| VENEREAL.              |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Gonorrhœa .....        |                           | 10        | 4        | 14     | 14          | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Venereal warts.....    |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Adenitis .....         | 1                         | 3         | 4        | 8      | 8           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Chancroids .....       | 2                         | 10        | .....    | 12     | 12          | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Phimosis .....         |                           | 4         | .....    | 4      | 4           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Orchitis .....         | 1                         | 1         | .....    | 2      | 2           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Stricture .....        | 1                         | 4         | .....    | 5      | 2           | 1         | .....       |        |          | 2                         |
| Syphilis .....         | 19                        | 21        | 22       | 62     | 13          | 26        | 4           |        | 2        | 17                        |
| “ congenital .....     | 1                         | 2         | 2        | 5      | .....       | 2         | .....       | 2      | 1        | .....                     |
| INJURIES.              |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Burns .....            |                           | 2         | 6        | 8      | 7           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |
| Contusions.....        |                           | 7         | 8        | 15     | 13          | .....     | .....       |        |          | 2                         |
| WOUNDS.                |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Lacerated toe..        |                           |           | 2        | 2      | 2           | .....     | .....       |        |          |                           |

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|                          |                           | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Well.       | Relieved. | Unrelieved. | Males. | Females. |                           |
| Contused scalp .....     |                           | 7         | 1        | 8      | 8           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ hand .....             |                           | 9         | 3        | 12     | 12          | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ neck .....             |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ jaw .....              |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| SPRAINS.                 |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Ankle .....              | 1                         | .....     | 3        | 4      | 4           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Knee .....               |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Shoulder .....           |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Wrist .....              |                           | .....     | 2        | 2      | 2           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Finger.....              |                           | .....     | 1        | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Hip .....                | 2                         | .....     | .....    | 2      | .....       | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | 2                         |
| DISLOCATIONS.            |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Shoulder .....           |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| FRACTURES.               |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Fractured humerus .....  |                           | .....     | 1        | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ clavicle .....         |                           | 1         | ...      | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ tibia, old.....        |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | 1                         |
| “ fibula .....           | 1                         | .....     | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ tibia and fibula ..... |                           | 2         | 1        | 3      | 2           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | 1                         |
| “ femur.....             | 1                         | 2         | 4        | 7      | 1           | 2         | 2           | .....  | .....    | 2                         |
| “ radius .....           |                           | .....     | 5        | 5      | 4           | 1         | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ ulna and radius.....   |                           | .....     | 1        | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| “ 7th cerv. vert.....    |                           | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | 1      | .....    | .....                     |

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|                         |                           | Males.    | Females. | Total. | Well.       | Relieved. | Unrelieved. | Males. | Females. |                           |
| Fractured patella ..... | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | 1           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| UNCLASSIFIED.           |                           |           |          |        |             |           |             |        |          |                           |
| Varicose veins .....    | 1                         | 17        | 12       | 30     | .....       | 30        | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Ulceration breast.....  | .....                     | .....     | 4        | 4      | 4           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Injured finger.....     | .....                     | 3         | .....    | 3      | 3           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Suppurating sinus ..... | .....                     | 1         | .....    | 1      | .....       | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | 1                         |
| Frost-bite.....         | .....                     | 2         | .....    | 2      | 2           | .....     | .....       | .....  | .....    | .....                     |
| Total.....              | 183                       | 657       | 885      | 1725   | 779         | 397       | 130         | 75     | 92       | 252                       |

## OUT-PATIENTS' DEPARTMENT.

| DISEASES.                       | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|---------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| GENERAL DISEASES.               |        |          |        |
| Class A.                        |        |          |        |
| Coryza .....                    | 346    | 132      | 478    |
| Influenza .....                 | 6      | .....    | 6      |
| Malaria .....                   | 9      | 6        | 15     |
| Class B.                        |        |          |        |
| Lumbago .....                   | 27     | 22       | 49     |
| Rheumatism articular .....      | 307    | 25       | 332    |
| “ muscular .....                | 68     | 27       | 95     |
| Phthisis .....                  | 87     | 68       | 155    |
| Anæmia .....                    | .....  | 30       | 30     |
| Alcoholism .....                | 142    | 39       | 181    |
| Diabetis mellitus .....         | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| NERVOUS SYSTEM.                 |        |          |        |
| Cerebral hemorrhage .....       | 1      | 2        | 3      |
| Epilepsy .....                  | 32     | 36       | 68     |
| Neuralgia .....                 | 29     | 26       | 55     |
| Myelitis .....                  | 2      | .....    | 2      |
| Cerebral syphilis .....         | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.             |        |          |        |
| Heart disease, functional ..... | 23     | 32       | 55     |

| DISEASES.                            | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Heart disease, valvular mitral ..... | 37     | 43       | 80     |
| “ “ aortic.....                      | 6      | 8        | 14     |
| DISEASES OF FAUCES.                  |        |          |        |
| Tonsilitis .....                     | 18     | 4        | 22     |
| Larynx :                             |        |          |        |
| Laryngitis .....                     | 41     | 3        | 44     |
| Pharynx :                            |        |          |        |
| Pharyngitis .....                    | 19     | .....    | 19     |
| Lungs :                              |        |          |        |
| Bronchitis, acute .....              | 289    | 260      | 549    |
| “ chronic .....                      | 66     | 86       | 152    |
| Asthma .....                         | 18     | 57       | 75     |
| Hæmoptysis .....                     | 29     | 3        | 32     |
| PLEURA.                              |        |          |        |
| Pleurisy .....                       | 43     | 9        | 52     |
| DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.                    |        |          |        |
| Stomatitis .....                     | 7      | 2        | 9      |
| Gastritis .....                      | 28     | 36       | 64     |
| “ alcoholic.....                     | 33     | 18       | 51     |
| Indigestion .....                    | 93     | 65       | 158    |
| Diarrhœa .....                       | 156    | 96       | 252    |
| Colic .....                          | 44     | 78       | 122    |
| Constipation .....                   | 234    | 275      | 509    |
| LIVER.                               |        |          |        |
| Catarrhal jaundice.....              | 2      | 3        | 5      |
| Cirrhosis .....                      | 2      | .....    | 2      |

| DISEASES.                   | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| URINARY SYSTEM.             |        |          |        |
| Nephritis, chronic.....     | 15     | 23       | 38     |
| Cystitis.....               | 36     | 18       | 54     |
| Dysuria .....               | 9      | .....    | 9      |
| Incontinence .....          | 1      | 3        | 4      |
| Retention.....              | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.           |        |          |        |
| Psoriasis.....              | 3      | .....    | 3      |
| Eczema.....                 | 29     | 14       | 43     |
| Scabies .....               | 14     | 3        | 17     |
| Pediculi capitis.....       | .....  | 18       | 18     |
| “ pubis .....               | 23     | .....    | 23     |
| Acne .....                  | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| UNCLASSIFIED.               |        |          |        |
| Oxyuris vermicularis.....   | 14     | .....    | 14     |
| Lead poisoning.....         | 3      | .....    | 3      |
| Gonorrhœal rheumatism ..... | 2      | .....    | 2      |
| Seminal emissions .....     | 2      | .....    | 2      |
| Debility .....              | 144    | 187      | 331    |
| Migraine .....              | 48     | 30       | 78     |
| SURGICAL.                   |        |          |        |
| Hæmorrhoids .....           | 66     | 37       | 103    |
| Fistula .....               | 3      | .....    | 3      |
| Periostitis .....           | 1      | 2        | 3      |
| Synovitis .....             | 2      | 2        | 4      |
| Ulcers .....                | .....  | .....    | .....  |
| “ varicose .....            | 48     | 18       | 66     |

| DISEASES.               | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| Burns .....             | 16     | 1        | 17     |
| Contusions .....        | 48     | 35       | 83     |
| Wounds, scalp .....     | 22     | .....    | 22     |
| "    hand .....         | 31     | .....    | 31     |
| "    finger .....       | 28     | .....    | 28     |
| Sprains, ankle .....    | 8      | .....    | 8      |
| "    knee .....         | 2      | .....    | 2      |
| Fracture, radius .....  | 8      | .....    | 8      |
| "    patella .....      | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| Abscess .....           | .....  | 3        | 3      |
| Varicose veins .....    | 18     | 13       | 31     |
| Stricture urethra ..... | 27     | .....    | 27     |
| Varicocele .....        | 4      | .....    | 4      |
| Hydrocele .....         | 25     | .....    | 25     |
| Furuncle .....          | 13     | .....    | 13     |
| Coxalgia .....          | 13     | .....    | 13     |
| Bursitis .....          | 1      | 13       | 14     |
| Larconia .....          | 1      | .....    | 1      |
| EAR.                    |        |          |        |
| Otitis media .....      | 18     | 4        | 22     |
| Cerumen .....           | 14     | .....    | 14     |
| EYE.                    |        |          |        |
| Iritis .....            | 23     | .....    | 23     |
| Conjunctivitis .....    | 48     | 67       | 115    |
| Entropion .....         | 11     | .....    | 11     |
| Ulcer cornea .....      | .....  | 3        | 3      |
| Cataract .....          | 25     | 36       | 61     |

| DISEASES.           | Males. | Females. | Total. |
|---------------------|--------|----------|--------|
| VENEREAL.           |        |          |        |
| Gonorrhœa .....     | 38     | 3        | 41     |
| Venereal warts..... | 10     | .....    | 10     |
| Chancroids .....    |        |          |        |
| Phimosis .....      | 6      | .....    | 6      |
| Paraphimosis .....  | 2      | .....    | 2      |
| Bubo .....          | 18     | 6        | 24     |
| Syphilis .....      | 34     | 18       | 52     |
| DISEASES OF WOMEN.  |        |          |        |
| Dysmenorrhœa.....   |        | 27       | 27     |
| Menorrhagia .....   |        | 12       | 12     |
| Cancer uterus.....  |        | 7        | 7      |
| Amenorrhœa.....     |        | 13       | 13     |
| Total .....         | 3,311  | 2,105    | 5,416  |

In examining the above statistics it will be seen that the number of diseases exceeds the number of patients. This is due to the fact that many of our patients who suffer from chronic diseases and stay in the hospital constantly are liable to intercurrent diseases. Of the 252 in the hospital to-day, 25 per cent. have been there a year or longer; five have been there over four years. Of the 167 deaths, 105, or nearly 65 per cent. were from tuberculosis, senile debility, apoplexy, and heart disease.

It will be seen upon comparing this report with that of 1895, that the daily average, the number of deaths, and the number of out-patients have increased very considerably.

This is due to the fact that all the inmates of the hospital at Rainsford Island were transferred to this hospital last winter.

The past year has seen two most important changes at this hospital, — the introduction of trained nursing and the appointment of a staff of visiting physicians. These are on the line of development on which we have been working for the past three years, and mark a long step in advance. This hospital has not as yet filled the position in the community which we hope to see it take. As far as we have gone we have done good work. Such patients as we have had have been properly cared for. I think we can conscientiously say we have done our duty by them; but there is another side: no hospital is doing the best work of which it is capable, unless it is working for the benefit of the whole community as well as the individual patient. By this I mean it ought to be a factor as a medical educator, as an aid in the advancement of medical science, as a training ground for the largest possible number of individuals who, whether as physicians or nurses, will be enabled to benefit the community by means of knowledge acquired there. This hospital is now regarded by nearly every one as a hospital for the almshouse, yet nearly 75 per cent. of our patients come here directly from the city as such, — not as almshouse cases proper.

All almshouse hospitals for many years, perhaps not without reason, have been regarded by marked disfavor by the people. We must dispel this sentiment as far as this hospital is concerned before we can hope to accomplish all we desire. We have a fine plant, an able staff of visiting physicians, and a nursing force, which for the intelligence and earnestness of its members will compare favorably with any like body. We have our limitations due to our situation, our finances, and the self-evident scope of such a hospital. What we want is to have as many persons as possible visit the hospital, — medical men, persons who work among the poor, and others, that they may know the place as it really is, that

they may conscientiously recommend this hospital when they know of a proper case.

The members of the visiting staff were appointed at different times during the summer and fall. No words of commendation from me as to their ability are necessary. Their standing in the profession is too well known. We were fortunate in securing such good men and the hospital is to be congratulated upon having their services. I want to say at this point that if we are to make this hospital what it ought to be, it is absolutely necessary that we make some better provision than is now possible with the steamer "Bradlee" for getting our medical men and patients to and from the island. Under the present arrangements the physicians have either to leave home at 6 A.M., getting back at 11 A.M., or leave at 1.30 P.M., and get back at about 6.30 P.M. for the sake of an hour at the hospital. Daily visits under such circumstances are out of the question; weekly visits are all we can hope for; once a fortnight all we should demand. The visiting staff consists of Dr. Abner Post, Dr. James J. Minot, Dr. Eugene Crockett, Dr. Edward W. Taylor, and Dr. William T. Councilman.

August 1st the following prospectus was sent to nearly one thousand medical men in Massachusetts and to a few in the other New England States :

#### BOSTON ALMSHOUSE AND HOSPITAL.

##### TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSE ATTENDANTS.

*Long Island, Boston.*

This Training School is established to give a systematic course of training and practice to women in the care of chronic invalids, and to fit them as trained attendants for any class of cases.

The school is connected with the Boston Almshouse and Hospital, which is located on one of the most beautiful and salubrious of the many islands of Boston Harbor. The Hospital building is new and modern in all its appointments and contains over three hundred beds, most of them occupied by chronic invalids.

The Superintendent of the Almshouse and Hospital has the general supervision of all matters relating to the school. The Superintendent of Nurses has the immediate charge of all the nursing in the Hospital of all persons employed in the wards, and also the instruction and management of the pupils in the Training School.

The course requires one year and includes general medical, minor surgical, maternity, and infant nursing.

Instruction is given by means of lectures, recitations on the same and from text-books, and teaching at the bedside in the regular performance of duties.

The instruction includes the general care of the sick, the making of beds, changing bed and body linen, managing of helpless patients in bed, etc.; giving baths, keeping patients warm or cool, prevention and dressing of bed-sores; the making and applying of bandages, applying of fomentations and poultices and minor dressings, cupping, the administration of enemias, and use of the female catheter. The pupils are also given lessons in massage. Maternity nursing is taught by practice in the confinement room, which includes digital examination of patients; instruction is also given the pupils as to how to act in the various emergencies which arise in child-bed. Pupils are taught how to cook and serve food for the sick in a proper manner, the feeding of helpless patients, and the feeding and preparation of food for infants.

Instruction is also given in the best practical methods of supplying fresh air, of warming and ventilating sick rooms in a proper manner, and the way to take care of sick rooms for the best good and comfort of the patient; in keeping all utensils and appliances perfectly clean and disinfected; in making accurate observations of the pulse, temperature, respiration, expectorations, the secretions and state of the skin, of mental conditions as to delirium, dementia, etc.; of the condition as to sleep, appetite, effects of diet or of stimulants and medicines; and in the managing of cases of senility and senile dementia. Pupils are taught the administering of medicines and the application of external remedies, how to take notes on cases, the making up of a nurse's record and the reports to the attending physician.

Pupils are given three months' training in the maternity and nursery wards, three months in the surgical wards, and the remainder of the time in such wards as the Superintendent may appoint.

A course in ward management, hospital housekeeping, and minor administration, in addition to the foregoing, is open to graduate nurses from any organized training school. As they will be expected to teach, as far as required, the pupils in the wards, twenty-five dollars (\$25) per month will be allowed them. Six months is required for this course.

Candidates will be received between the ages of twenty-three and forty years. They must be of sound health. They should send a brief personal history, and give the names and addresses of responsible persons not of their own kin who know their good character and capabilities. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the approval of the Institutions Commissioner they will be received for one month on probation.

At the end of the first month, candidates, if considered satisfactory to the authorities in charge of the hospital, are permitted to join the school upon signing an agreement to complete the prescribed course of one year, and to conform to all rules.

The right is reserved by the authorities of the hospital to terminate, at any time, the connection of any pupil for inefficiency, misconduct, generally unsatisfactory record, or for any other reason which may be deemed sufficient.

While the education and training which are afforded are intended to be a full equivalent for their services, there is given the pupils, toward defraying their necessary personal expenses, ten dollars per month during the first six months, and twelve per month for the remaining six.

If they successfully fulfil the requirements for the full term of twelve months, and pass the necessary examinations, they will upon the termination of their service receive a diploma from the hospital.

There are no fixed dates for the beginning of service, but accepted candidates may enter whenever vacancies occur.

Pupils are required to wear the Training School uniform after they join the school. Material for dresses will be sold at cost; caps are furnished free.

Hours of duty for day nurses are from 7 A.M. to 8 P.M.; for night nurses from 8 P.M. to 7 A.M. Each nurse on day duty is allowed one hour for rest and recitation, four hours on Sunday, and two days each month. Nurses on night duty are required to be in bed until 4 P.M. Nurses may be called upon for two months' regular night duty during the year's training.

Our object in opening a Training School of such a character will be best expressed, perhaps, by taking a few extracts from a personal letter I wrote to some of the doctors. "The authorities in charge of the Boston Almshouse and Hospital, believing that there is a field of usefulness and a demand for trained attendants for the chronically sick and infirm, have established a training school for nurse attendants.

" Our object is to furnish physicians and the public with skilled attendants, trained especially in the care of chronic invalids, yet sufficiently trained to be capable of nursing almost any kind of case."

These reasons were of course auxiliary to the principal one, that of securing a higher grade of nursing in our hospital. From the numerous encouraging letters I have received in reply it would seem that these reasons appeared good to others also. The school was opened August 21 with four pupil nurses and one graduate head nurse. To-day we have eighteen pupils, and five graduate head nurses. Applications are constantly coming in, so that it does not seem as though the school need fail for lack of pupils. Talks have been given, and recitations held, every week since August 26, by the superintendent of nurses. Lectures have been given weekly by the resident physician since October 7. Each member of the visiting staff will give at least one lecture during the course.

The material condition of the hospital is excellent. We have an abundance of ward supplies and clothing, the patients are comfortable, and the majority contented.

The greatest improvement, painting the wards, has been mentioned. Other minor improvements are: fly-screens on the new or east wing, put on last spring (they were on the west and centre wing before, so that now the entire hospital is screened); fences built across the courtyards to make the yards more available; furnishing a bier to remove dead bodies from the wards; stoves have been placed in the diet kitchens recently, and the nurses will now be expected to prepare many of the special diets; a dining-room for nurses has been furnished in the centre wing head house, so that they are not obliged to go to the main building for their meals, as was formerly the case.

One change, which we made last March, but which has lost much of its importance from the opening of the Training School, was the introduction of female nurses into the male

wards. The beneficial results of this experiment were at once apparent in the improved appearance of both the wards and patients, and we have never, so far, had any reason to regret having made the change.

I would recommend that a small laboratory be built in the basement of the administration building, and a more convenient autopsy room than we now have. The one we have does fairly well for summer time, but is too cold for winter use.

If we could have regular hospital beds, they would make it much easier for the nurses to handle the helpless patients, of which we have a large number. I would recommend the purchase of a new ambulance. Originally the present ambulance answered our purpose very well; to-day, it is inadequate for our needs.

In this connection I will ask you to consider the feasibility of having the "Bradlee," on her afternoon trip, coming directly from the city to this island. There is hardly a day that there is not an ambulance case on board, — patients from other hospitals transferred to ours, or taken directly from their homes. It is also a matter of daily occurrence that the boat is detained at Deer Island for a long time unloading freight. It seems to me that any arrangement that could be made by which the stay of the patients on the boat, especially during the winter months, when the water is rough, would be shortened, would be very desirable.

There has been but one change in the hospital staff. Dr. A. C. Leach resigned as second assistant physician on March 9, and Dr. Paul Carson was appointed to fill the vacancy.

I wish to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hearty coöperation of the different heads of departments, and all other employees in our work during the past year.

Very respectfully,

C. H. COGSWELL, M.D.,  
*Resident Physician.*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

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JANUARY 31, 1896.

CHARLES H. COGSWELL, M.D., *Superintendent of the Boston Almshouse and Hospital, at Long Island.*

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit to you my first annual report as Chaplain and Director of Music at Long Island.

This is the fourth year that I have conducted religious services at the Home for Paupers; but this is the first report of my work to the Superintendent.

Services of a religious nature have been faithfully performed on Sunday throughout the past year and the spiritual needs of all have been cared for tenderly. Funeral services have been held when needed, and baptismal rites administered when called upon.

Attendance at divine worship has been good, and the close attention inspires us with hope that their hearts are helped and encouraged. Most of our hearers are aged and some far advanced in years, and to feel that these derive comfort from the services is pleasing indeed.

The material condition of the inmates as well as their spiritual wants have my attention, and I am glad to know there is faithfulness on the part of the management to make all comfortable. This is as it should be, for many come to spend their declining years, with attending infirmities; while a few recover their health and courage and go out to fight the battle of life once again.

In our service of worship we are aided by Mr. Thomas and wife, who are fine singers, and listened to with pleasure. We are greatly assisted by Mrs. M. J. Maginnis, who is very

kind in word and deed to the inmates. Mrs. Maginnis has visited the home at Long Island many years and is favorably known as a friend to the helpless.

Allow me to acknowledge your kindly coöperation in my work.

Respectfully,

W. B. TOULMIN,  
*Chaplain and Director of Music.*

## HOUSE OF REFORMATION, RAINSFORD ISLAND.

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BOSTON HARBOR, January 31, 1896.

A. B. HEATH, M.D., *Institutions Commissioner*:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit the annual report of this institution for the year ending January 31, 1896.

This has been a year of radical and important changes in this institution. For many years the removal of the House of Reformation from Deer Island was in contemplation by the commissioners, and was accomplished by an order of the City Council under date of April 1, 1895. Some delay was necessitated in the removal by preparing the buildings here for the reception of the boys, and they were not removed until May 17, 1895.

It becomes my duty to note a very sad event as a part of our year's history. When the boys were removed to their present home, they were given in charge of Gen. M. T. Donohoe as Superintendent. He received them on Saturday, May 17, and the following day he was stricken down with paralysis, and died one week later. He had been connected with the Department of Public Institutions for many years as Secretary of the Board of Commissioners, and by his marked ability and uniform courtesy had won the esteem of all with whom he associated. His bereaved family mourn the loss of a kind husband and father, and the city of Boston lost a valued official.

The advantages of this location for a boys' school over their old quarters on Deer Island must be apparent to all. We are rid of the contaminating influences of a penal institu-

tion with which we were surrounded on Deer Island ; and instead of the boys being confined within a small yard they have the liberty of the whole island, and can be taught self-reliance and be inspired with confidence, by being trusted to perform certain kinds of out-door work without being constantly under the surveillance of an officer.

#### SCHOOLS.

The schools are under the care of Mr. Henry C. Twitchell as principal and Mr. James S. Freeman as assistant teacher. They are earnest, conscientious workers in the school-rooms and labor faithfully to inspire their pupils with a genuine love of knowledge and for their intellectual and moral advancement. The results of their efforts fully attest to their ability as instructors.

The report of the Superintendent of Schools is appended.

#### MANUAL TRAINING.

The introduction of industrial training into this school was a step in the right direction, and places us, as an institution, in the position we should have occupied long ago among the first-class institutions of the country. The inculcation of habits of industry and a genuine love for honest labor and toil, by teaching the boys some trade by which a livelihood may be earned in after years, forms the most important part of our work. To confine a boy in a reformatory institution for a term of years, and then release him with no other knowledge than that which he has been able to derive from books, we cannot expect him to successfully fight the battle of life. Instead of graduating him to honest citizenship, we turn him on the cold world to become, in a short time, an inmate of some penal or charitable institution.

Heretofore the only industry taught in this institution was printing, which is still carried on under the same instructor, Mr. Louis Keenan. The boys assigned to this de-

partment receive a regular course of instruction in all the branches pertaining to the business, and are competent to work at the trade when released. Several during the past year have been paroled and placed in positions in the city, and are doing well.

The printing for the commissioners' office and for the several institutions in the department is done here.

September 1st the Sloyd system of manual training in carpentry was introduced, and two classes of twelve boys each were established and placed under the tuition of Mr. H. M. Thompson, an experienced and thoroughly competent instructor. The boys manifest much interest in their work and the progress made far exceeds our expectations. In addition to the regular course of model making, they are taught to assist in the general repairs about the institution building.

November 1st a shoe shop was fitted up, and a class of fifteen boys was placed under Mr. C. L. Hayden, as instructor, and are being taught to manufacture and repair shoes. We are now able to do all our own repairing and are wearing shoes of our own manufacture. We hope soon to increase our production and be able to furnish shoes to other institutions of the department which use our line of manufacture.

We have recently organized a brass band of twenty pieces, which is instructed by Mr. George Wilson, bandmaster. The boys are making rapid progress in their music, and we consider this one of our best reformatory measures. Mr. Wilson also acts as military instructor, and the boys all receive daily practice in the "setting up exercises" as taught in the Infantry Drill Regulations, U.S.A., and in the school of the soldier, and in the manual of arms.

## HEALTH.

The general health of the boys has been very good. We have had one case of carbuncle of the groin, and one of compound fracture of the arm, which occurred five months previous to the commitment of the boy. With the above exception, no sickness of any note has appeared, a fact somewhat remarkable, considering the number of boys cared for, and attributable to the quantity and quality of the diet, healthful air, out-door exercise, and the sanitary condition of the institution.

## MERIT SYSTEM.

The introduction of a marking system for the discipline and government of the boys is an entirely new feature in this institution. By this system a boy is required to earn a certain number of merits before he is eligible to parole from the school. The beneficial results of the system are many. To warrant a perfect success of the plan, it is imperative that its provisions regarding release upon probation be strictly followed. One of the most pleasing results of the system is the fact that we are able to reduce the corporal punishments to a minimum.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The religious services have been conducted by Rev. Mr. Toulmin, Chaplain, and Rev. Fathers Casey and McQuillen. Father Hamilton, of St. Mary's Church, Boston, has visited us regularly, and attended to the confessions of the Catholic boys. Sunday schools have been conducted weekly by a corps of ladies from Boston for the Catholic boys, and by Mrs. Perkins for the Protestants. These ladies have our thanks for their manifest interest in the work.

## READING MATTER.

The school is well supplied with reading matter, receiving books from the Boston Public Library and from other sources. Suitable weekly and monthly periodicals are provided, and are appreciated by the boys.

## GARDEN AND ORCHARD PRODUCTS.

The yield of vegetables from the garden was abundant, considering the acreage under cultivation. The labor of preparing the land, seeding, caring for, and harvesting the crops, was all performed by the boys. They raised 3,000 heads of cabbage, 40 bushels tomatoes, 10 bushels cucumbers, 15 bushels carrots, 10 bushels parsnips, 10 bushels table beets, 10 bushels sugar beets, 15 bushels turnips, 10 bushels string beans, 10 bushels peas, 20 bushels sweet corn, and 2 tons mangel beets, and 2 tons squashes. The orchard produced 22 barrels of apples and 3 bushels of pears. We cut three tons of hay, and slaughtered 1,437 pounds of pork.

## IMPROVEMENTS.

I respectfully call your attention to the necessity of better facilities for lighting this institution. We are now using common oil lamps, which afford an insufficient amount of light, and danger from fire is constant. I would respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made for an electric plant as soon as practicable.

Our supply of water has been furnished by the steamer "J. Putnam Bradlee," and the supply is sometimes limited. This difficulty will soon be remedied, as a new four-inch water-pipe is now being laid between Long Island and this place, and when completed will furnish abundance for all purposes.

By a reference to the accompanying statistics it will be seen that the number of boys has increased, during the fiscal

year, from 66 to 108, an increase of  $63\frac{7}{11}$  per cent. It is reasonable to expect a like increase during the coming year. In view of the above fact it is apparent that our accommodations will soon become limited. The institution building, having been constructed for an almshouse, is ill adapted to the requirements of a reformatory. The lavatory and bath-rooms are too small for the accommodation of the present number of boys. The rooms used for school-rooms are not of proper shape and appointment. I would respectfully recommend that the cottage system be adopted, and cottages be erected sufficient in size for the accommodation of forty boys each, and the main building now used for schools and dormitories be converted into work shops for the industrial classes. By the adoption of the cottage system, a complete classification of the boys could be accomplished, which is indispensable in an institution of this kind.

## STATISTICS.

|                            |           |       |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Remaining January 31, 1895 | . . . . . | 66    |
| Committed                  | . . . . . | 93    |
|                            |           | <hr/> |
|                            |           | 159   |
| Discharged . . . . .       | . . . . . | 51    |
|                            |           | <hr/> |
| Remaining January 31, 1896 | . . . . . | 108   |

## OFFENCES FOR WHICH COMMITTED.

|                                                                           |           |    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Larceny . . . . .                                                         | . . . . . | 28 |
| Larceny in a building . . . . .                                           | . . . . . | 1  |
| Larceny from a person . . . . .                                           | . . . . . | 3  |
| Breaking and entering . . . . .                                           | . . . . . | 12 |
| Breaking and entering and larceny . . . . .                               | . . . . . | 3  |
| Breaking and entering and larceny and receiving<br>stolen goods . . . . . | . . . . . | 1  |
| Unlawful appropriation . . . . .                                          | . . . . . | 3  |

|                                                  |    |
|--------------------------------------------------|----|
| Disturbing a school . . . . .                    | 2  |
| Disturbing the peace . . . . .                   | 2  |
| Defacing school-room . . . . .                   | 5  |
| Malicious mischief . . . . .                     | 1  |
| Throwing stones in a public street . . . . .     | 1  |
| Throwing snow-balls in a public street . . . . . | 1  |
| Vagrancy . . . . .                               | 2  |
| Burning a freight car . . . . .                  | 1  |
| Maliciously breaking glass . . . . .             | 3  |
| Stubborn child . . . . .                         | 23 |
| Assault and battery . . . . .                    | 1  |
|                                                  | —  |
| Total . . . . .                                  | 93 |

Of the above 6 boys were returned from probation.

#### SENTENCES OF THOSE COMMITTED.

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Minority . . . . .             | 83 |
| Non-payment of fines . . . . . | 10 |
|                                | —  |
| Total . . . . .                | 93 |

#### CAUSES FOR DISCHARGES.

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Pardoned . . . . .               | 41 |
| Fines paid . . . . .             | 3  |
| Expiration of sentence . . . . . | 7  |
|                                  | —  |
| Total . . . . .                  | 51 |

#### NATIVITY OF THOSE COMMITTED.

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| Boston . . . . .        | 54 |
| Massachusetts . . . . . | 6  |
| Connecticut . . . . .   | 1  |
| New Jersey . . . . .    | 2  |
| Maine . . . . .         | 3  |
| California . . . . .    | 1  |

# INSTITUTIONS DEPARTMENT.

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|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Ohio . . . . .          | 1        |
| Ireland . . . . .       | 3        |
| Italy . . . . .         | 9        |
| Russia . . . . .        | 2        |
| England . . . . .       | 3        |
| Scotland . . . . .      | 2        |
| Africa . . . . .        | 1        |
| Sweden . . . . .        | 1        |
| Newfoundland . . . . .  | 1        |
| Nova Scotia . . . . .   | 2        |
| New Brunswick . . . . . | 1        |
| Total . . . . .         | <hr/> 93 |

## AGES OF THOSE COMMITTED.

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| 8 years . . . . . | 4        |
| 9 " . . . . .     | 3        |
| 10 " . . . . .    | 4        |
| 11 " . . . . .    | 11       |
| 12 " . . . . .    | 15       |
| 13 " . . . . .    | 20       |
| 14 " . . . . .    | 18       |
| 15 " . . . . .    | 13       |
| 16 " . . . . .    | 4        |
| 17 " . . . . .    | 1        |
| Total . . . . .   | <hr/> 93 |

In conclusion I desire to extend to you and to your assistant, Dr. E. W. Dwight, my thanks for your manifest interest in this institution, and for your kindly advice and encouragement given us in our work during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

L. D. PERKINS,  
*Superintendent.*

## HOUSE OF REFORMATION, RAINSFORD ISLAND,

January 31, 1896.

L. D. PERKINS, ESQ., *Superintendent of the House of Reformation :*

DEAR SIR : I beg to herewith submit my first annual report as Chaplain and Superintendent of Schools and Director of Music at Rainsford Island.

Religious services have been held regularly every Sunday and a Sabbath school conducted for the boys, which they not only greatly enjoy, but is attended with good results.

In this work the sincere interest of Mrs. L. D. Perkins is of much value. The excellent singing in our service of worship is by the boys, who heartily enter into this feature.

*Library.* — This is well supplied with suitable books and papers adapted to youths, and all literature is carefully reviewed by the teachers before being given out. Most of the boys are fond of reading, and we regard this as an interesting fact of our work. The sources of supply of our reading matter are the City Library and Hospital Newspaper Society — to which institutions we tender our thanks.

The school session at Rainsford in 1895 was only about eight months, and when we consider the unsettlement incident to the removal there certainly has been pleasing progress made.

The merit system introduced by you is our first experience and promises good results, for it has its advantages in appealing to the honor and pride of the student, impressing him with the necessity of an effort to acquire an education.

The principal studies taught in these schools are reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, geography, and grammar ; and, as soon as possible, each boy is made acquainted with these branches.

We have two schools supplied with faithful and efficient instructors, — Mr. Henry C. Twitchell, first division ; Mr. James S. Freeman, second division.

Vocal music is taught outside school hours in the chapel by the Chaplain, assisted by Mr. George Wilson as organist, who fills his position well.

|                                    | 1st Div. | 2d Div. | Total. |
|------------------------------------|----------|---------|--------|
| Number in school . . . . .         | 62       | 48      | 110    |
| Can read generally . . . . .       | 62       | 38      | 100    |
| Can read primary reader . . . . .  |          | 9       | 9      |
| Study geography . . . . .          | 62       | 30      | 92     |
| Penmanship . . . . .               | 62       | 38      | 100    |
| Grammar . . . . .                  | 15       |         | 15     |
| History of United States . . . . . | 50       | 20      | 70     |
| Mental arithmetic . . . . .        | 62       | 48      | 110    |
| Written arithmetic . . . . .       | 50       | 20      | 70     |
| Compound numbers . . . . .         | 15       |         | 15     |
| Fractions . . . . .                | 20       | 10      | 30     |
| Vocal music . . . . .              | 62       | 48      | 110    |

Allow me acknowledge your kind assistance in all my work.

W. B. TOULMIN,  
*Chaplain and Superintendent of  
 Schools and Director of Music.*

## MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

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BOSTON HIGHLANDS, January 31, 1896.

*To the Commissioner of Institutions Department, City of Boston :*

SIR: I respectfully submit the annual report of this institution for the year from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896.

There has this year been a thorough renovation of almost the entire building. Wall paper and carpets have been entirely removed. The ceilings, walls, and floors of the rooms, halls, and closets, excepting the basement and chapel, have been painted, stained, or grained. The plumbing has been overhauled and new modern toilet-rooms (with flush closets in place of the old ones, which were very unsanitary) have been provided for the children in the hospitals and downstairs. All necessary carpentering has been attended to. New floors and closets have been put in where needed. Wooden sinks have been replaced by soapstone ones. The woollen curtains of the hospitals have been removed and new ones that were not objectionable placed there. New curtains have also been placed in the chapel. The new white iron beds with brass ornaments, that have been furnished the hospitals, add much to the cheerfulness of the rooms. The barren look which formerly prevailed in the dining-rooms has disappeared. Stools have given way to nice comfortable chairs. Handsome crockery and silver-plate have taken the place of tin and iron. Napkins and rings also add a refining influence.

The new arrangement enables the children to serve themselves at the table.

I would respectfully suggest one or two improvements that seem to be needed.

The dormitories are thoroughly aired and flooded with sunshine all day, but there is needed some method other than by the windows for use at night. Modern toilet-rooms are needed in the boys' dormitories. There is also needed more dormitory room in order that the children may be better classified at night. This might be secured if a hospital, separate from the institution, were built, for then the hospital wards could be used as infirmary dormitories for the children that need special care.

<sup>1</sup> The number of inmates during the year has been the largest the institution has ever sheltered. The largest number at any one time was 505 in January, 1896; the smallest 442, in September, 1895; daily average, 446. We have boarded a daily average of 128, leaving in the institution a daily average of 318.

The number of children admitted since the opening of the institution, April, 1877, is 4,883.

*Number remaining January 31, 1895:*

|                 |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Neglected boys  | . | . | . | . | . | . | 69  |
| Pauper          | " | . | . | . | . | . | 209 |
| Neglected girls | . | . | . | . | . | . | 23  |
| Pauper          | " | . | . | . | . | . | 145 |
|                 |   |   |   |   |   | — | 446 |

*Number received from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896:*

|                 |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Neglected boys  | . | . | . | . | . | . | 74  |
| Pauper          | " | . | . | . | . | . | 135 |
| Neglected girls | . | . | . | . | . | . | 18  |
| Pauper          | " | . | . | . | . | . | 97  |
|                 |   |   |   |   |   | — | 324 |

|                                           |   |     |
|-------------------------------------------|---|-----|
| Number in the Institution during the year | . | 770 |
|-------------------------------------------|---|-----|

<sup>1</sup> This great increase in the number of children we have cared for is caused by the transfer of sixty-two boys and two girls from the Parental School to this Home, to relieve the overcrowded condition there.

*Number discharged from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896:*

|                 |           |       |
|-----------------|-----------|-------|
| Neglected boys  | .. . . .  | 25    |
| Pauper “        | . . . . . | 117   |
| Neglected girls | . . . . . | 13    |
| Pauper “        | . . . . . | 113   |
|                 |           | — 268 |

*Number remaining January 31, 1896:*

|                                |           |       |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------|
| Neglected boys                 | . . . . . | 118   |
| Pauper “                       | . . . . . | 227   |
| Neglected girls                | . . . . . | 28    |
| Pauper “                       | . . . . . | 129   |
|                                |           | — 502 |
| Highest number during the year | . . . . . | 505   |
| Lowest number during the year  | . . . . . | 422   |
| Daily average during the year  | . . . . . | 318   |

Of those received into the institution during the year thirty per cent. were between the ages of eleven and fourteen, fifty per cent. were from four to ten, and twenty per cent. were under four years of age.

The following table shows to whom the children were discharged this year:

|                             |           |     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----|
| To friends                  | . . . . . | 160 |
| To homes furnished by agent | . . . . . | 100 |
| To agent S.P.C.C.           | . . . . . | 3   |
| Died                        | . . . . . | 5   |
|                             |           | —   |
| Total number of discharges  | . . . . . | 268 |

#### HEALTH.

The general health of the inmates has been good. There have been no cases of ophthalmia during the year. The epidemics of chicken-pox and mumps were the only ones, and the children who took these had them very light.

The excellent health of the inmates is due, in great measure, to the improved sanitary conditions of the building and the quantity and quality of the food, and plenty of out-of-door exercise.

There have been five deaths during the year. Four of these children were received into the institution in a diseased condition and were boarding in the country. The fifth death was that of a little girl, seven years of age, and was the only death in the building.

This is certainly a low death rate when considering the number cared for during the year.

#### EDUCATIONAL.

##### *Schools.*

The regular class work in the school, under the skilful management of sympathetic teachers, leaves little to criticise.

The attempt to enlighten and uplift the class of children in our schools is certainly a great strain upon the teachers.

As the report of the school work will be presented by the principal, I will only mention the sewing school, for the running expenses of which the home is indebted to Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw. The sewing teachers, Misses Kate A. Clare and Ella L. Thomas, have continued their excellent work. This instruction given the children when young will undoubtedly be of value to them all through life.

##### *Industrial.*

For the girls, sewing-machine work on their own clothing continues to be taught. We have this year made an addition to this department by the introduction of basket making by the boys. This department is under a competent instructor and has already proved a success. To the dull boys that make discouraging progress in the regular school work, this shop work has been of especial advantage.

I suggest that this industrial work be broadened to admit of some other branches. I realize that this could not be done with our present accommodations, but with some outlay all the branches usually taught in such an institution as this could be introduced. In looking over former reports of this institution I notice that the erection of a building to be used for industrial purposes has been recommended, and I heartily coincide with these former reports, and I hope steps may soon be taken to carry out the ideas which have been previously expressed. The institution already owns an abundance of land that could be used for said purpose.

#### *Library and Reading-room.*

The library contains six hundred and fifty volumes, seventy-five having been added during the year. These books are instructive and pleasing. I suggest that some money be expended to purchase more juvenile books. Such able weekly and monthly magazines are furnished the reading-room.

#### *Religious Services.*

The religious services have been conducted for the Catholics by Fathers Fullerton and J. H. Roche; for the Protestants by Rev. D. W. Waldron, city missionary, sent by the Congregationalists.

#### COUNTRY HOMES.

The agent, Mr. John E. McCarthy, has placed 51 boys and 49 girls in homes during the year; total 100 children.

Thirteen of these hundred had returned here from former trials and only five others of the one hundred have been returned here this year. It is remarkable that out of so many of the class of children we have, so few have returned here, and this shows great judgment and diligent work on his part. During his regular visits to these children he finds nearly all of his charges satisfied with their homes and doing nicely in them.

## BAKERY.

*Loaves of Bread Baked during the Year.*

63,920 loaves of bread baked during the year.

45,350 loaves for Marcella-street Home, weighing 113,375 lbs.

18,570 loaves for Charlestown Almshouse, “ 46,425 “

1,800 rolls baked for Marcella-street Home.

*Ginger Cookies Baked.*

37,300 cookies for Marcella-street Home.

3,780 cookies for Charlestown Almshouse.

581 barrels of flour have been used for the above food.

This year sugar cookies have been furnished half the time rather than molasses cookies all the time. This change costs a little more but makes a variety for the children.

## BOARDING.

The statistics will show that quite a number of the inmates have been boarded at farms all the year. This no doubt greatly assists the agent in securing homes for these children. A more extended account of this branch will be found in the report of the Nursery Department, as it was for this department that the plan was inaugurated. We have boarded them in very comfortable places, and no child placed where the few dollars maintenance money was apparently the only object in taking the child.

The great advantage to the child of growing up in a good family cannot be overestimated.

## EXPENSES.

The expenses of the institution have been \$52,346.78 or \$3.15 weekly net cost per capita for the year. In making up this average cost the expenses of those in the institution only have been considered, plus the expenses of clothing and medicine furnished those boarding out, the expense of those boarding having been paid out of Pauper Expenses.

## ENTERTAINMENTS,

The children have been furnished entertainments as usual on holidays. Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw and Mrs. George G. Lovell continue to show greatness of heart by their personal interest in the education and happiness of the children.

There is also a band of noble young ladies to whom sincere thanks are due and heartily extended for giving freely of their time and loving interest, for the purpose of brightening and bringing variety into the lives of our children.

The responsibilities in the superintendence of an institution like this are necessarily great, and the degree of success attained this year is partially due to the long and varied institution experience of the commissioner, Dr. A. B. Heath, who so kindly rendered his valuable services for the few months just before assuming office of commissioner, and who has ever since given all assistance in his power to better the management of this institution.

Great credit is due to him for his desire to keep the institution in perfect repair.

Dr. Dwight, assistant commissioner, renders assistance of great value owing to his long experience in hospital service.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. WHITE, M.D.,  
*Superintendent.*

## HOSPITAL REPORT.

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DR. A. B. HEATH, *Commissioner of Institutions Department:*

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit the report of the hospital of this institution. The following is a classified list of all the diseases and number of cases of each which were treated:

### *Diseases of the Respiratory Organs.*

|                      |    |                          |   |
|----------------------|----|--------------------------|---|
| Pneumonia . . . . .  | 12 | Whooping-cough . . . . . | 4 |
| Pleuritis . . . . .  | 1  | Hemorrhage . . . . .     | 1 |
| Bronchitis . . . . . | 8  | La grippe . . . . .      | 3 |

### *Diseases of the Digestive Organs.*

|                     |   |                        |   |
|---------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Jaundice . . . . .  | 2 | Stomatitis . . . . .   | 1 |
| Diarrhoea . . . . . | 1 | Tuberculosis of intes- |   |
| Enteritis . . . . . | 1 | tines . . . . .        | 1 |

### *Diseases of the Nervous System.*

|                      |   |                     |   |
|----------------------|---|---------------------|---|
| Corea . . . . .      | 1 | Epileptic . . . . . | 1 |
| Meningitis . . . . . | 2 |                     |   |

### *Fevers and General Diseases.*

|                       |    |                       |   |
|-----------------------|----|-----------------------|---|
| Mumps . . . . .       | 45 | Measles . . . . .     | 1 |
| Chicken-pox . . . . . | 30 | Erysipelas . . . . .  | 1 |
| Febricula . . . . .   | 7  | Torticollis . . . . . | 1 |
| Marasmus . . . . .    | 1  | Diphtheria . . . . .  | 1 |
| Scrofulosis . . . . . | 2  | Rachitis . . . . .    | 1 |

*Skin Diseases.*

|                     |    |                      |   |
|---------------------|----|----------------------|---|
| Urticaria . . . . . | 2  | Ringworm . . . . .   | 1 |
| Eczema . . . . .    | 10 | Leborrhœa . . . . .  | 1 |
| Scabies . . . . .   | 5  | Dermatitis . . . . . | 1 |
| Lupus . . . . .     | 2  |                      |   |

*Diseases of the Throat.*

|                                   |   |                                  |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|
| Tonsilitis . . . . .              | 5 | Hypertrophy of tonsils . . . . . | 1 |
| Tuberculosis laryngitis . . . . . | 1 |                                  |   |

*Diseases of the Ear.*

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Otitis media . . . . . | 24 |
|------------------------|----|

*Diseases of the Eye.*

|                              |    |                         |   |
|------------------------------|----|-------------------------|---|
| Ulcer of cornea . . . . .    | 4  | Lucoma . . . . .        | 2 |
| Granular lids . . . . .      | 1  | Keratitis . . . . .     | 3 |
| Conjunctivitis . . . . .     | 10 | Iritis . . . . .        | 1 |
| Cataract operation . . . . . | 1  | Hordeolum . . . . .     | 2 |
| Blepharitis . . . . .        | 5  | Meibomiancyst . . . . . | 1 |

*Diseases of the Heart.*

|                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Congenital heart disease . . . . . | 1 |
|------------------------------------|---|

*Surgical.*

|                             |    |                                           |   |
|-----------------------------|----|-------------------------------------------|---|
| Wounds . . . . .            | 6  | Colles' fracture of left radius . . . . . | 1 |
| Burns . . . . .             | 1  | Fracture of left thigh . . . . .          | 1 |
| Scald . . . . .             | 1  | Spinal curvature . . . . .                | 2 |
| Abscesses . . . . .         | 11 | Septic periostitis . . . . .              | 1 |
| Cellulitis . . . . .        | 2  | Furunculosis . . . . .                    | 1 |
| Septic Paronychia . . . . . | 1  |                                           |   |

*Unclassified.*

|                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Vaccinations . . . . .             | 26  |
| Teeth cleaned . . . . .            | 61  |
| “ filled . . . . .                 | 15  |
| “ extracted . . . . .              | 36  |
| Admitted for observation . . . . . | 324 |

The number of children remaining in the hospital this day is 31, with the following-named diseases :

|                                        |   |                                |    |
|----------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----|
| Chicken-pox . . . . .                  | 6 | Chronic otitis media . . . . . | 12 |
| Lupus . . . . .                        | 2 | Eczema-capitis . . . . .       | 6  |
| Iritis . . . . .                       | 1 | Blepharitis . . . . .          | 2  |
| Tuberculosis laryn-<br>gitis . . . . . | 1 | Keratitis . . . . .            | 1  |

It is with pleasure that I announce that a board of visiting physicians has been appointed for this institution, and I shall expect to see in the future great good resulting therefrom.

Dr. E. E. Thorp I wish to mention particularly for his kindness and faithfulness in caring for eye cases. He was in attendance long before the appointment of the board, and continues to come with his associate, Dr. Tenney. The visiting staff consists of Dr. M. F. Gavin, D. J. E. Goldthwaite, Dr. John Dane, Dr. Edward E. Thorpe, and Dr. John A. Tenney.

There has been but one death in the schools. These good results are due in great measure to faithful nursing.

The institution needs a hospital building separate from the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. WHITE, M.D.,

*Physician.*

## TEACHER'S REPORT.

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BOSTON HIGHLANDS, January 31, 1895.

TO WM. A. WHITE, M.D., *Superintendent*:

DEAR SIR: The report of the schools of this institution for the year just ended is herewith respectfully submitted.

The work done during the year has been excellent and practical. Every teacher has labored industrially with her charges.

A long cherished idea of Commissioner A. B. Heath has at last borne fruit and we now have a trade-school for the purpose of instruction in basket working. Mr. Hermann Mohle is in charge of the class, which is composed of forty-four boys.

There are now two classes of girls and five classes of boys in this school as well as a kindergarten for both sexes, and which is still under the patronage of Mrs. Quincy Shaw.

You will see by reference to my last report that we have one more boys' class this year than we had last year. This increase is the result of an unusual influx of boys which has not been responded to by a proportionate reflux. The extra class has been placed under the guidance of Miss Mattie M. Clough.

The absence of contagion of any kind in the schools is the secret of the very fine daily attendance we have had during the year.

The usual statistics:

|                                   |   |   |   |     |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Pupils remaining January 31, 1895 | . | . | . | 329 |
| Pupil admitted during the year    | . | . | . | 225 |
| Total number of pupils taught     | . | . | . | 554 |
| Pupils remaining January 31, 1896 | . | . | . | 362 |
| “ discharged during the year      | . | . | . | 192 |

Not included in the above figures we have pupils in other institutions as follows :

|                                               |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|---|
| Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Hartford, Conn. . . . . | 1 |
| Perkins Institution for the Blind . . . . .   | 3 |

The average age of children taught during the year has been nine (9) years.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH C. DRUM,  
*Principal.*

## NURSERY.

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DR. A. B. HEATH, *Commissioner of Institutions Department*:

DEAR SIR : I respectfully submit the following report of the Nursery Department of this institution :

|                                                         |     |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number remaining January 31, 1895                       | 66  |
| “ admitted from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896   | 63  |
| “ discharged from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896 | 67  |
| “ died from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896       | 4   |
| “ cared for from January 31, 1895, to January 31, 1896  | 129 |
| “ remaining January 31, 1896                            | 62  |

Ages of those admitted :

|                                |                                           |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Under six months               | 2                                         |
| Between 6 months and 12 months | 7                                         |
| “ 12 “ “ 18 “                  | 8                                         |
| “ 18 “ “ 24 “                  | 11                                        |
| “ 24 “ “ 36 “                  | 19                                        |
| “ 36 “ “ 48 “                  | 16                                        |
|                                | <hr style="width: 10%; margin: 0 auto;"/> |
|                                | 63                                        |

There have been four deaths in the Nursery during the year, as shown by the table below :

| Cause of death.                   | Age of child. |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Capillary bronchitis . . . . .    | 9 months.     |
| Tuberculosis meningitis . . . . . | 20 “          |
| Meningitis . . . . .              | 39 “          |
| Shock . . . . .                   | 40 “          |

The first child was received in the Nursery Department September 2, 1885 :

|                                                 | Received. | Cared for. | Died. | Death-rate. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------|-------------|
| Between Sept. 2, 1885, and Dec. 31, 1885. . . . | 46        | 46         | 1     | 2.1         |
| “ Dec. 31, 1885, “ “ 1886. . . .                | 122       | 157        | 31    | 19.7        |
| “ “ 1886, “ “ 1887. . . .                       | 98        | 180        | 24    | 13.3        |
| “ “ 1887, “ “ 1888. . . .                       | 118       | 210        | 10    | 4.7         |
| “ “ 1888, “ “ 1889. . . .                       | 96        | 182        | 7     | 3.8         |
| “ “ 1889, “ “ 1890. . . .                       | 82        | 173        | 3     | 1.7         |
| “ “ 1890, “ “ 1891. . . .                       | 108       | 185        | 9     | 4.8         |
| “ “ 1891, “ Jan. 31, 1893. . . .                | 106       | 175        | 9     | 5.1         |
| “ Jan. 31, 1893, “ “ 1894. . . .                | 74        | 129        | 6     | 4.6         |
| “ “ 1894, “ “ 1895. . . .                       | 101       | 153        | 6     | 3.9         |
| “ “ 1895, “ “ 1896. . . .                       | 63        | 129        | 4     | 3.1         |

We continue, as in former years, to board them out, and with the happiest results. This is the only proper method of caring for infants. It insures individual care, and country air and food. I have kept in the Nursery building such cases only as required medical treatment. Great care

is used in the selection of boarding-places, and not more than two infants are placed in one family. The babies are often visited, and are retained in such places as can furnish them the very best care.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. WHITE, M.D.,  
*Superintendent.*

## ALMSHOUSE.

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CHARLESTOWN DISTRICT,  
BOSTON, January 31, 1896.

*To the Institutions Commissioner:*

DEAR SIR: I herewith submit the annual report for the year ending January 31, 1896.

Number remaining January 31, 1895 :

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Males . . . . .   | 59  |
| Females . . . . . | 102 |
| <hr/>             |     |
| Total . . . . .   | 161 |

Admitted from February 1, 1895, to January 31, 1896 :

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Males . . . . .   | 58  |
| Females . . . . . | 50  |
| <hr/>             |     |
| Total . . . . .   | 108 |

Discharged from February 1, 1895, to January 31, 1896 :

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Males . . . . .   | 60  |
| Females . . . . . | 45  |
| <hr/>             |     |
| Total . . . . .   | 105 |

Remaining January 31, 1896 :

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Males . . . . .   | 54  |
| Females . . . . . | 106 |
| <hr/>             |     |
| Total . . . . .   | 160 |

|                                |   |   |   |     |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|-----|
| Largest number during the year | . | . | . | 164 |
| Smallest                       | " | " | " | 135 |
| Average                        | " | " | " | 151 |

Number of deaths during the year :

|         |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Males   | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7  |
| Females | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3  |
| Total   | . | . | . | . | . | . | 10 |

Average age of decedents, 76 years 6 months.

The general health of the inmates has been remarkably good ; none other than chronic cases have been treated here. You will readily see by the ages of those deceased that the greater number are from senility.

Dr. R. W. Sprague, who has attended the sick for so many years, still continues his services with his usual care and success. You will find his report annexed.

The matrons and assistants are faithful and attentive to their duties under many trying circumstances, and much credit is due them.

The garden has been enlarged and improved, and now furnishes a good variety of choice vegetables, which add very much to the quality and variety of the food furnished the inmates, and I think has much to do with the general good health of all.

The long shed on the north-westerly part of the premises, used as a repair-shop and for the storage of wood and coal, has been resingled on the roof and on the walls with the exception of a part of the rear wall facing the Mystic river ; new sills, windows, and frames have been put in, besides the necessary repairs.

The old water-closets on the ground floor of the main building were removed and modern automatic closets have been substituted.

The piazza at the south-west end of the institution has been removed, and a large and airy sun room, sixteen by sixty

feet, with windows opening upon three sides, built of brick with metallic roof, with steam heat and gas fixtures complete, put in the place. This much-needed improvement not only furnishes a good sitting-room for the inmates, but also gives them room for entertainments. The room formerly used for the men's sitting-room has been turned into an infirmary. I would respectfully recommend that a similar addition be built at the north-east end the coming summer for the use of the females.

An ice room should also be provided for, under the same roof. This could be done at a cost of less than one thousand dollars, by utilizing the labor of the most robust of the inmates. Some slight repairs should also be done upon the barn and fences, which can be done at the cost of material.

Religious services have been held as usual. Those of the Catholic faith have been permitted to attend St. Francis de Sales Church, on Bunker Hill street.

Entertainments have been given upon Thanksgiving and Christmas, at the expense of the Department, while private individuals have contributed to our enjoyment upon other occasions.

Books, papers, etc., have been sent by the Hospital News Society. The Flower Mission have not forgotten us, and kind friends do not seem to be wanting to contribute to our enjoyment, for all of which I know that I do not possess the power to express the grateful feelings of many charges, who feel that there has been much done for them in many ways.

In closing allow me to express to you, and to your assistants my sincere thanks for your advice and hearty coöperation in assisting me in my efforts to make the life of the deserving poor in my charge a little brighter, and their path to the grave a little smoother than perhaps it otherwise might be.

I remain, very respectfully,

CHANDLER EASTMAN,

*Superintendent.*

## PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

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BOSTON, January 31, 1896.

TO CHANDLER EASTMAN, *Superintendent Charlestown  
Alms-house* :

SIR : As visiting physician to the institution under your charge, I submit the following report for the year ending January 31, 1896 :

We have been especially favored by immunity from contagious diseases and epidemics. The sick calls were principally for numerous minor ailments, although chronic cases, as in previous years, such as cancer, phthisis, ulcers, heart, rheumatism, necrosis, etc., demanded considerable attention.

The hospital diet has been greatly improved by the addition of a variety of luxuries, much to the satisfaction and appreciation of the patients, credit for which is due to the Commissioner, Dr. Heath.

The deaths have been — males, 7 ; females, 3 ; and classified as follows : senility, 3 ; apoplexy, 2 ; chronic bronchitis, 1 ; phthisis, 1 ; total, 10 ; average age of decedents, 76+.

To you and Mrs. Eastman, to whom I am indebted for many courtesies, and also to the matrons for their kindness and attention to the sick, I desire to express my thanks.

Respectfully,

R. W. SPRAGUE, M.D.

*Visiting Physician.*

## PARENTAL SCHOOL.

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WEST ROXBURY.

*To the Institutions Commissioner, No. 14 Beacon street,  
Boston:*

SIR: The following is my first report of the Parental School. I took charge of the school March 25, 1895. The grounds were in bad condition as nothing had been done to improve them or keep them in proper order for several years. We have pruned trees and cleared bushes from land, which has made some change in the general appearance of the place, but have a great deal more to do in the same line to bring it up to the standard.

The garden furnished us all the vegetables needed for summer and fall use. We cut twelve tons of hay. The fruit crop was very light owing to neglect of trees. The grading in front of the engine-room has been completed and adds very much to the appearance of the grounds. The buildings have all been repaired, painted, and furnished, so that the present buildings are in good order.

Owing to a defect in the sewer the school was not opened for boys until August, 1895. The first boy was committed September 11, 1895. We have received to date, 140 boys. The school can accommodate 60 boys; 62 boys and 2 girls have been transferred to the Marcella-street Home until our new buildings are completed. We have already boys enough to fill the two new buildings being constructed and two more the same size. Each family building ought not to accommodate more than 40 boys. Accommodations are needed in the near future for 250 boys, if we judge by the way the boys are being committed.

The health of the boys has been good. We have not had a boy confined to the hospital up to the present time. The fresh air, regular habits, proper food and clothing seem to be about all they need for health.

I find the truant boys very bright and smart. The great trouble with them is dislike for school.

The holidays have been properly observed. The boys had a Christmas tree in the school-room, which was well filled with presents for each boy.

Five boys have been sent home — 1, time expired; 4 released on probation.

We need shops where boys can work in bad weather and during winter months.

The boys attend school five hours each day and assist in all departments in domestic work.

We have religious services every Sunday by different clergymen in the vicinity.

We have been favored by two entertainments, which were highly appreciated by the boys and officers. Professor Ward, of West Roxbury, and Messrs. Rice, Sise Cortten, and Brown, of Harvard University, have our thanks for the entertainments.

We have no fences to hold the boys, and have had but few attempts to escape.

Superintendent of Public Schools, Mr. Edwin P. Seaver, has taken a great interest in this school. We need all the help we can get to make the school what it should be.

The officers have been faithful and efficient and I appreciate their services.

We need a library of suitable books and papers for the boys to read.

The boys have been committed as follows: In September, 35; October, 48; November, 27; December, 10; January, 20. For more definite information in regard to the school work and general health of the boys I respectfully refer you

to the reports of the teacher, Miss Jennie Meserve, and Dr. Charles F. Moulton, the physician. I feel thankful to all who have been in charge of the school for the many favors received and good advice given, and particularly to you for the generous way in which you have supplied all our wants and for the good advice given from time to time.

Respectfully submitted.

M. J. PERKINS,  
*Superintendent.*

#### TEACHER'S REPORT.

*To the Superintendent of the Parental School:*

The school being young, its history is brief, dating only from September 15, 1895.

During this time there have been 130 boys connected with it; the largest number at one time, 88; the average number, 60.

Although boys have come from the several grades of the primary and grammar, to suit the conditions some combining has been done, and now we have two classes, the fourth and fifth.

To many this fact would seem a hindrance; but as many of the boys have been placed forward by it, there is quite a feeling of stimulation and pride, which is certainly commendable.

From necessity, the development along the several lines of work has been in a different degree from that in the public school; but while placing reading, writing, and arithmetic first, much has been done in language, American history, geography, physiology, observation, and music.

As a rule, the boys are bright and interesting, and in their written recitations have shown considerable originality.

Observations of the weather, the season, and of the varying animal and vegetable life are taken each day, in which all have a part.

The boys enjoy learning memory gems and poems, which practice assists much in other work.

Sunday afternoons are devoted to quiet reading, singing, Bible study, and writing, and committing to memory verses and psalms.

The holidays have been observed by appropriate exercises in the school-room. These the boys have thoroughly enjoyed, and have shown much enthusiasm in preparing them.

Under the existing conditions we cannot work for the individual boy, but rather to secure the greatest good to the largest number. A few months will doubtless bring better accommodations, and so, closer classification and larger results.

We thank the superintendent and others who have assisted in making our work pleasant.

Very respectfully submitted,

JENNIE A. MESERVE,  
*Teacher.*

PARENTAL SCHOOL, January, 1896.

## PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

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BOSTON, January 31, 1896.

TO DR. A. B. HEATH, *Institutions Commissioner*:

DEAR SIR: As visiting physician to the Parental School I respectfully submit the following report:

Since my appointment, October 9, 1895, I have visited the school daily and have found very little sickness. Most of the complaints have come from the boys when first admitted and have been in the form of skin affections, comprising eczema, ring-worm, chronic ulcers, and pediculi.

Two cases only have been confined to the bed for a few days, — one from tonsilitis and the other from chronic ulceration of the leg with periostitis, the latter suffering from his trouble when admitted to the school.

The good health of the school is due, I believe, to the wholesome food and out-door exercise, both of which the boys take a liberal allowance.

You certainly are to be congratulated on the plans of the hospital now under construction, which will meet all modern demands and give us a building at a moderate cost that will enable us to care for contagious and non-contagious cases in the best sanitary manner possible.

Respectfully,

C. F. MOULTON, M.D.

## REPORT OF THE AGENT FOR DIS- CHARGED MALE PRISONERS AND MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

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*To the Institutions Commissioner :*

DEAR SIR : I respectfully submit the annual report of this department for the year ending January 31, 1896.

The duties are to assist discharged prisoners, receive and record applications for pardons, investigate the homes of juvenile offenders whose parents or others apply for their release ; find country homes for juvenile offenders whose own homes are undesirable ; to find free and permanent homes for all children of the Marcella-Street Home who are candidates for such ; and the visitation of the same while in the custody of the department.

In the performance of the above work the force consists of your agent with two male and one female assistants.

### DISCHARGED PRISONERS.

Sixteen hundred and forty-five male prisoners, discharged from city institutions, have been aided during the year ; 980 have been furnished meals and lodging while seeking employment or awaiting transportation to their homes ; 44 with articles of clothing ; 21 to gratuities of money ; 430 to transportation to their homes, or to seek employment in different parts of this and other States, and 170 in various other ways.

Miss Sarah P. Burnham has aided some 875 women discharged from the House of Industry and House of Correction in the various forms of meals, lodging, and transportation to their homes or places of employment.

## PARDONS.

An Act to revise the Charter of the City of Boston, Chapter 449, Acts of 1895, Section 16 :

“ The Institutions Commissioner shall have all the powers which are now possessed by the Board of Commissioners of Public Institutions, relative to the release of prisoners now confined in or hereafter committed to, any of the institutions under his charge, and to their return to such institutions, and all laws in relation to such discharge and return shall apply in cases of any person released as aforesaid, provided, however, that no person shall be released without the approval of a justice of the court which imposed the sentence.”

The above Act went into effect July 1, 1895.

Under the previous laws the commissioners had full power, without the approval of the court, to release persons from the House of Industry and House of Correction, sent there for minor offences, such as drunkenness, vagrancy, etc., and from the juvenile schools, for any offence.

The present law requires the applicant to petition the commissioner for release, setting forth good reasons for the application, with responsible signatures.

These papers are then referred by the commissioner to the judge of the court which imposed the sentence, and if the application is approved by the court, the commissioner will take such action as the circumstances of the case seem to demand.

Applications for the release of inmates from the various institutions under your care have been received during the year ; these are classified in the following table :

|                                             | Applica-<br>tions for<br>Pardons. | Pardons<br>granted on<br>Probation. | Men.  | Women. | Pardons<br>Refused. |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|---------------------|
| Jail .....                                  | 10                                | 8                                   | 8     | .....  | 2                   |
| House of Correction.....                    | 177                               | 97                                  | 81    | 16     | 80                  |
| House of Industry .....                     | 1,905                             | 1,486                               | 1,304 | 182    | 419                 |
|                                             |                                   |                                     | Boys. | Girls. |                     |
| House of Reformation...                     | 45                                | 42                                  | 42    | .....  | 3                   |
| Parental School.....                        | 22                                | 16                                  | 16    | .....  | 6                   |
| Marcella-St. Home }<br>Neglected children } | 17                                | 6                                   | 3     | 3      | 11                  |
| Total .....                                 | 2,176                             | 1,655                               | 1,454 | 201    | 521                 |

One thousand nine hundred and eighty-six of the applications from the House of Industry, House of Correction, and Jail, and which are included in the above table, were referred by your request to the judges of the Superior and Municipal Courts, 1,583 of which were recommended by them and are classified in the following table :

| COURTS.           | Applications<br>Referred. | Pardons<br>Recommended. | Pardons not<br>Recommended. |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Central .....     | 967                       | 795                     | 172                         |
| South Boston..... | 207                       | 195                     | 12                          |
| Charlestown.....  | 148                       | 103                     | 45                          |
| East Boston.....  | 130                       | 102                     | 28                          |
| Roxbury .....     | 316                       | 238                     | 78                          |
| Dorchester .....  | 76                        | 65                      | 11                          |
| Brighton .....    | 15                        | 15                      | .....                       |
| West Roxbury..... | 13                        | 4                       | 9                           |
| Chelsea .....     | 29                        | 27                      | 2                           |
| Superior .....    | 85                        | 39                      | 46                          |
| Total .....       | 1,986                     | 1,583                   | 403                         |

## HOUSE OF REFORMATION.

The commitments to this school are usually for minority, but occasionally boys are committed for non-payment of fine and cost, on terms of from thirty to ninety days.

Minority inmates are retained in the institution until it is thought advisable to release them on probation, the term of detention varying from one to three years. All applications from parents or relatives for release of inmates are investigated by the agency, and a report made on the character of the home or place proposed for them, and if proved undesirable they are found homes or employment elsewhere or placed on indenture in the country. By the terms of the commitment they are subject to recall for any violation of their probation, and it is required that they should be kept under strict supervision during the remainder of their sentence.

Owing to the limited force of the agency in past years, this portion of the work has heretofore been slighted; but by the appointment in August last of an additional male agent, this long neglected and very important duty is now receiving the attention it requires.

The trustees of the Lyman School, at Westboro', have introduced the plan of boarding out in families, in the country towns, the younger boys of that school. I would also recommend the same system to be applied to inmates of this school. There were 9 boys of tender years, 10 and under, sent to the House of Reformation during the past year. I found on investigation that many of these young offenders were sentenced not so much for the offence committed as that the home influences and surroundings were of such a character that the removal of the boy was deemed necessary.

Boys of this class need the influences of a good home in some respectable family more than the discipline of a reform school.

By the adoption of this plan it would remove these younger and comparatively innocent children from contact with the older and more criminal ones.

#### HOMES FOR CHILDREN.

The work of seeking out families suitable and willing to receive children is carried on in connection with visits made to those previously placed out. Applications are also received at the office by letter or in person. Children whose parents are unsuitable to have the custody of them, or those who have no family ties, are eligible for indenture or adoption.

The correct family and good home is what we desire for our wards.

The number of children for whom free homes have been procured during the year: from the Marcella-Street Home, boys, 51; girls, 49; from the House of Reformation, boys, 10; total, 110.

## BOARDING.

The boarding out of children in families, mostly in country towns, continues.

From the nursery department of the Marcella-Street Home 200 children have been boarded during the year. Monthly visits are made by the lady visitor, who reports on the health and general condition of each.

In addition to the above 60 others from the school department have been boarded.

The boarding out of dependent children is not only beneficial to them, but makes them more desirable, by family training, for indenture or adoption than institution-reared children.

During the year, 19 boys and 17 girls have been transferred from the boarding-out department to free and permanent homes.

All *defective* children, with the exception of those requiring hospital treatment, are boarded.

Experience shows the wonderful effect of free surroundings and country life on these unfortunates, and many of them in time become self-supporting.

In former years this class was forced to pass years at the Home, finally graduating to the Almshouse, where they remained public charges the remainder of their lives.

## VISITATION.

There have been no changes made in the method of visitation during the year; every child who has been placed in a free and permanent home, by authority of the commissioner, has been visited at least twice, by agents of this department, and by local visitors quarterly.

The total number of children subject to visitation at the close of the year 1896 is 652: 510 in permanent homes, and 142 for whom board is paid; to the latter monthly visits are made.

Cases of dissatisfaction and complaints are constantly arising with the children placed out, and the families who have taken them. Inquiry into and adjustment of such cases is an every day duty; conference and advice often is sufficient to remove the difficulties. Sometimes change of place is necessary, and in extreme cases, return to the institution is made.

At the beginning of the year 1895 there were 461 children in free homes subject to visitation. Of this number there have passed from the control of the department, during the year, 61 children, as follows :

|                                    | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Arrived at age . . . . .           | 19    | 9      | 28     |
| Indenture expired . . . . .        | 3     | 2      | 5      |
| Absconded, not yet found . . . . . | 7     | 1      | 8      |
| Transferred to friends . . . . .   | 5     | 4      | 9      |
| Guardian appointed . . . . .       | 1     | 1      | 2      |
| Adopted . . . . .                  | 1     | 4      | 5      |
| Married . . . . .                  | 1     | 2      | 3      |
| Died . . . . .                     | 1     | 0      | 1      |
|                                    | —     | —      | —      |
| Total . . . . .                    | 38    | 23     | 61     |

Number of children placed in permanent homes during the year :

|                                     | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |
|-------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| From House of Reformation . . . . . | 10    | 0      | 10     |
| “ Marcella-Street Home . . . . .    | 51    | 49     | 100    |
|                                     | —     | —      | —      |
| Total . . . . .                     |       |        | 110    |

Total number at present in homes procured for them is as follows :

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|                                | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| House of Reformation . . . . . | 31    | 0      | 31     |
| Marcella-Street Home . . . . . | 254   | 225    | 479    |
| Children boarding . . . . .    | 62    | 80     | 142    |
|                                | —     | —      | —      |
| Total . . . . .                | 347   | 305    | 652    |

## LOCATION OF CHILDREN IN PERMANENT HOMES.

|                         | Cities and<br>Towns. | Children. |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Massachusetts . . . . . | 112                  | 305       |
| New Hampshire . . . . . | 46                   | 128       |
| Maine . . . . .         | 14                   | 36        |
| Vermont . . . . .       | 10                   | 18        |
| Rhode Island . . . . .  | 5                    | 10        |
| Connecticut . . . . .   | 2                    | 5         |
| Other States . . . . .  | 5                    | 8         |
|                         | —                    | —         |
|                         | 194                  | 510       |

## CHILDREN BOARDING DURING THE YEAR.

|                         | Cities and<br>Towns. | Children. |
|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Massachusetts . . . . . | 31                   | 209       |
| Other States . . . . .  | 14                   | 51        |
|                         | —                    | —         |
| Total . . . . .         | 45                   | 260       |

Ages of children placed in permanent homes in the past year are as follows :

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Over 1 year and under 3 . . . . . | 12  |
| “ 3 “ “ “ 6 . . . . .             | 17  |
| “ 6 “ “ “ 10 . . . . .            | 33  |
| “ 10 “ “ “ 12 . . . . .           | 25  |
| “ 12 “ “ “ 16 . . . . .           | 23  |
|                                   | —   |
| Total . . . . .                   | 110 |

## CONCLUSION.

Credit is due my assistants, who have been attentive and faithful in the discharge of their duties.

I am under obligation to many persons in the various towns where the children have been placed, who have kindly volunteered to visit and report from time to time on the health and condition of those in families.

I gratefully tender my thanks to you, Commissioner Heath, for the support and consideration it has been my fortune to receive at your hands, and for the interest you have at all times taken in the work in which I am engaged.

Respectfully,

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